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THE LATE THOMAS R. JARBOE, a prominent farmer, and Ex-county Commissioner of Frederick County, Md., son of William and Margaret (Shaffer) Jarboe, was born on his father's farm in the Middletown Valley, Frederick County, May 15, 1828. Mr. Jarboe is a descendant of one of the most prominent families among the early settlers of the southern part of Maryland. His grandfather, an immigrant from France, landed in southern Maryland, and became a resident of St. Mary's County. He married and among his children was a son William.

William Jarboe, father of Thomas R. Jarboe, who was prominent among the older farmers of Middletown Valley, was born on his father's farm in St. Mary's County, Md. In early manhood, he removed to the Middletown Valley, where he became prominent as a progressive farmer and a successful business man. He owned a valuable farm and was highly esteemed as a citizen. William Jarboe was married to Margaret Schaffer, a descendant of one of the prominent families of Middletown Valley. Of their six children, five reached maturity: 1, Henry, deceased, a farmer of Middletown Valley; 2, John S., dealer in grain of Frederick, Md.; 3, Thomas R.; 4, Susan, deceased, married to the late M. J. Grove, who was one of the most-enterprising business men of Frederick City; 5, Margaret, deceased, married to the late Charles Brosies. Mr. Jarboe was a member of the Roman Catholic Church.

Thomas R. Jarboe received his education at St. John's College in Frederick City. He remained at home with his father until after his marriage, when he bought "Gay Field," a fertile farm of 185 acres situated near Limekiln, Frederick County, Md. Mr. Jarboe spent his whole life in cultivating and improving his property. He built a pretty, two-story, brick dwelling, a bank barn with all the required out-buildings, and increased the yield of the land by scientific farming. He afterwards purchased an adjoining farm of 200 acres of excellent land which he also improved, putting up good, substantial buildings. Still later he bought the Bushey Place, a farm of 148 acres situated near Limekiln. Mr. Jarboe is one of the leading farmers of Frederick County. He is a stockholder and a director of the Central National Bank of Frederick City; a charter member, and the president of the Buckeystown Turnpike Company and a stockholder and a director of the Buckeystown Packing Company. He is one of the leading Democrats of the county, and was twice elected on the party ticket as commissioner of Frederick County, the only Democrat elected, and discharged the duties of his office with credit to himself and to the county.

Thomas R. Jarboe was married to Laretta, daughter of the late William and Margaret (Font) Eagle, the descendant of a prominent family, whose father was a large land owner near Tuscarora, Md. They have one daughter Margaret (Mrs. Charles Rohrback). Mr. Jarboe was an active member of St. John's Roman Catholic Church in Frederick, and contributes liberally to its support. Mr. Jarboe died at his home in Frederick County, September 7, 1894, and is buried in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

Margaret Jarboe was married to Charles Rohrback, a prominent man of Frederick City. They reside at Gay Field, a beautiful place near Limekiln, and are numbered among the influential families of the County. Of their seven children, five are living: 1, Laretta J., married to F. Posey, editor and publisher of the *Examiner*, of Frederick; 2, Ellen B., at home; 3, Thomas J., at home; 4, Francis E., at home; 5, Margaret J., at home. Mr. Rohrback, his wife and children were all educated at St. Joseph's and Mt. Saint Mary's College in Emmitsburg.