



# HISTORICAL HEROES



Edgar Allan "E.A." Poe



Edgar Allan Poe was born in 1858. He attended Donaldson Academy for a short time in Fayetteville before having to move home to help on his family farm, so he was unable to attend college. Outside of that schooling, he never received a formal education. Mr. Poe worked at the NC State Penitentiary in June of 1880 and its during his time in Raleigh that he met Josephine Poe. They married on September 2, 1880, and moved back to Fayetteville where he would then start his brick business. He owned and operated two brickyards. Mr. and Mrs. Poe lived in a small cottage with their 6 children until their house was built in 1897, it was while living in this home they would have two more children. Mr. Poe was an active member of Hay Street Methodist Church and was described as being a "kind and generous man." Mr. Poe died in 1934 at the age of 76.