

November 19, 1959

August Erdmann

Funeral services for August Erdmann, 96, retired farmer, were held on Friday, Nov. 13, 1959, at 2:00 o'clock in St. John's Lutheran Church with Rev. R. M. Grundmeier officiating. Burial was in the Verdon cemetery.

Mrs. Eugene Neuman accompanied Ora Schuelke who sang "Lass Mich Gehen" and "Be Still My Soul."

Mr. Erdmann was born November 15, 1862, in Lomira, Wis. He came to South Dakota in 1886 and settled on a farm west of Verdon where he lived until he moved to Groton in 1947.

He married Anna Milbradt at Verdon on December 15, 1904. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran church. He died early Tuesday morning after a two weeks' illness.

He is survived by three sons, Walter, Groton; Gottlieb and Gerhardt, Verdon; seven daughters, Mrs. Milton Ouren (Irene), Hanska, Minn.; Mrs. Marie Schramm, Boise, Idaho; Mrs. Ronald Lofgren (Esther), St. James, Minn.; Mrs. Henry Lehman (Dorothy), Groton; Mrs. Alvern Abraham (Lydia), Sioux City, Iowa; Mrs. Lawrence Tutthill (Elisabeth), Sacramento, Calif., and Mrs. G. W. DeBow (Gertrude), Phillip, S. D.; one sister, Mrs. H. J. Bouman, Minneapolis, Minn., and 36 grandchildren and 9 great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, one daughter, Ruth, who died in infancy, seven brothers and three sisters.

Pall bearers were nephews, Gilbert Erdmann, Paul Krueger, Alfred Erdmann, Deno Erdmann, Earl Erdmann and Kurt Erdmann.

Those who attended from away were: Mrs. Ronald Lofgren of St. James, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Milton Ouren, Hanska, Minn.; Mrs. Harley Strom, New Ulm, Minn.; Mrs. H. J. Bouman, Mrs. Leland Orfield, Minneapolis; Rev. and Mrs. Walter Bouman, Good Thunder, Minn.; Mrs. Paul Schlessler, Henry, S. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Kurt Erdmann and Armond Erdmann, Hettinger, N. D.; Mr. and Mrs. Herman Erdmann, Mrs. W. R. Van Wolker, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Erdmann, Miss Augusta Schuelke, Mrs. Mary Gengerke, Mr. and Mrs. John Ott, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Eske, all of Aberdeen; Richard Erdmann of Mobridge, and Lynn Erdmann of Stratford.