

May 5, 1955

Mrs. Augusta Radke

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at 2:00 o'clock at the West Hanson Lutheran church for Mrs. Augusta Radke, 76, who passed away Friday, April 22, 1955, at her home. The Rev. Donald Wilke officiated with burial in the church cemetery. Pall bearers were all nephews of the deceased, Henry Bartz, August Bartz, Herbert Radke, Hilbert Radke, Walter Bartz and Herman Schinkel.

Augusta Bartz Radke, daughter of Herman and Bertha Bartz, was born on June 11, 1878, at Watertown, Wis. She came with her parents to the Ferney vicinity at an early age. In 1895, she was married to John G. Radke, the couple settling on a farm. To this union 10 children were born. During her later years of life she made her home in Groton, where she resided until her passing.

She was preceded in death by her husband and two sons, Benhardt and Otto.

She leaves to mourn her passing, four sons, Arthur, Albert and Edwin of Groton; William of Stratford; four daughters, Mrs. Sigurd (Mayme) Arntson, Mrs. Gordon (Elsie) Pilcher, Elgin, Ill.; Mrs. John (Lillian) Underwager, Hampshire, Ill.; Mrs. Paul (Eldora) Heimgaertner, Algonquin, Ill.; two sisters, Mrs. Ida Schinkel, Groton; Mrs. Mary Radke, Stratford, and a brother, Otto Bartz, Stratford, besides 17 grandchildren and 17 great grandchildren.

Mrs. Radke's genial disposition and kindness won her the friendship of all who knew her. She was a true and loving wife and mother, and a kind and thoughtful neighbor and friend, and her passing brought sorrow to all.

Her children were all here to attend the last rites, also her grand daughters, Mrs. Keith Dengler, Arlington, Va.; and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Saunders, Dallas, Penn., and a grandson, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Radke, Jr., of Sioux Falls.