

December 28, 1972

## B. H. Sombke

Funeral services for Bernhardt (Ben) H. Sombke, 59, a Verdon farmer, were held at 2 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 26, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Ferney with the Rev. Edwin Rumerfeld officiating. Burial was in the Ferney Cemetery.

Mr. Sombke passed away suddenly Friday, Dec. 22, at his farm.

Music was provided by St. Paul's choir singing, "Abide With Me" and "Asleep in Jesus," accompanied by Mrs. Dallas Sombke, organist.

Honorary pallbearers were Robert Ball, Werner Baumgartner, Raymond Dobberpuhl, August Grieben, Maurice Hitchcock, Ralph Peterson and Herman Pigors.

Active pallbearers, all nephews, were Arnold Bahr, Harlan Radke, Curtis Sombke, Dallas Sombke, Darrel Sombke and Larry Sombke.

Mr. Sombke was born January 1, 1913, at Ferney to Albert and Louise Sombke. He lived all his life on the same farm where he was born southeast of Ferney. He never married.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, chairman of the LLL Men's Club, vice-chairman of the Church Council, and chairman of the ASCS committeemen.

Survivors include his mother; one sister, Mrs. Albert (Elda) Bahr, rural Groton; one brother, Alvin of Verdon; three nieces and seven nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, one sister, Mrs. Otto (Mabel) Radke, one niece and one nephew.

Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.