LARSEN, Karen (Jensen)

August 10, 1857
Denmark
February 17, 1939
Freeman, South Dakota

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Mrs. Hans C. Larsen Obituary

Mrs. Hans C. Larsen, nee Karen Jensen, was born in Vensyssel, Denmark, on August 10, 1857. She came to America in 1882, and the same year was married to Mr. Hans Christian Larsen. The bridal couple located on a homestead not far from the Spring Valley Lutheran church, and made their home there until Mr. Larsen's death. Since that time Mrs. Larsen has made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Stephen Jensen, of Freeman.

Mrs. Larsen was one of the pioneers of Turner county. It was perhaps through her pioneer experiences as well as through the rearing of a large family that she learned the lessons of patience, to a greater degree than most of them learn. It was my privilege to visit her over a period of several years, and I always found her in good spirits, kind and friendly. Our visits together were always a joy to me. She never complained, but rather expressed her gratitude because she had a good home, had good care and was comfortable. Her memory will always linger as a blessing to me.

Mrs. Larsen was the mother of ten children, of whom nine survive to mourn her departure: Mrs. Anton Paulson, Centerville; Mrs. Chris Sorensen, Marion Jct.; Mrs. Steffen Jensen, Freeman; Mrs. Emil Solvsberg, Sioux City; Mrs. Ray Cowden, Sioux City; Mrs. Robert Wagner, Sioux City; Mrs. Alfred Johnson, Freeman; and Chris and Peter Larsen, of Hurley. She alos leaves one sister, Mrs. Soren Christensen, of Hurley; 19 grand children and 9 great grand children.

Mrs. Larsen died peacefully at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Steffen Jensen, at the age of 81 years, 5 months and 7 days. February 17, 1939. Her husband died in 1928. Blessed be her memory.

Funeral services were held at Spring Valley Lutheran church Rev. N. P. Nielsen, pastor. Rev. Runestad and Rev. Nielsen officiated. Interment at the Spring Valley cemetery.