RASMUSSEN, Bodil Katherine (Nielsen)

May 11, 1861
Denmark
March 16, 1953
Wakonda, South Dakota

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## **Obituaries**

MRS. N. C. RASMUSSEN

Funeral services will be held today (Thursday, March 19th) at 1:30 P. M. at the Wakonda Lutheran Church, and at 3:00 P. M. at the Bethany Lutheran Church in Viborg for Mrs. N. C. Rasmussen, 91, who died Monday morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. H. R. Mortenson. Mrs. Rasmussen had been recuperating the past few weeks from an illness with pneumonia, and death was attributed to a slight stroke.

Mrs. Rasmussen was born in Hostrup, Denmark, May 11, 1861, and died March 16, 1953.

With her husband and the four youngest of a family of 12 children, she came to the United States in 1906 from Horsens, Denmark. Two older sons, Edward Nelson and Carl Rasmussen, had preceded the family to this country. The family came directly to Wakonda, living here until 1923 when they moved to Viborg. Mr. Rasmussen died in 1928.

In 1920, the oldest son, Peter, and two children came from Germany to make their home with the Rasmussen family, and a few years later Mrs. Rasmussen cared for the Carl Rasmussen children after the loss of their mother.

Grandma Rasmussen kept her own home until she was 82 years old, and since that time had made her home with her daughter. She celebrated her 87th birthday by visiting her children in the state of Washington. On her 91st birthday last May, she greeted more than 100 guests who called at the Mortenson home to extend best wishes.

She enjoyed good health and looked forward to the visits of her family and friends, and with her keenness of mind she kept alert to the days' happenings.

Rev. P. L. Loken, pastor of the Wakonda Lutheran Church, will be in charge of the services here and will be assisted by Rev. K. R. Jensen at Viborg. Burial will be at the Rose Hill Cemetery at Viborg.

Survivors include Edward Nelson, Los Angeles; Mrs. Freda Jensen, Mrs. Miller Nelson and Alfred Rasmussen, Longview, Wash.; Ray Rasmussen, Centerville, and Mrs. H. R. Mortenson, Wakonda. Carl Rasmussen, Wakonda, died two months ago. The son and two daughters arrived from Longview Wednesday morning. Mrs. Rasmussen is also survived by twenty grandchildren and twenty-six great grandchildren.