MICKAELSEN, Mike T.

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Obituary

MIKE T. MICKAELSEN

Mike T. Mickaelsen was born in Olgood, Denmark, January 7, 1874, of parents, Jens and Mettie Mickaelsen. He was the oldest of seven children. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith in the local parish, to which faith he remained faithful until his death.

Immigrating to America in the year 1903, he worked in various sections of this country before settling in Yankton County. South Dakota, wher he followed the occupation of farming. On May 23, 1912 he was united in marriage to Mrs. Elsia Jensen, and they made their home on his farm, one fourth mile from Center Point.

As a community leader, he manifested interest and ability, having served as chairman for the Spring Valley Congregation for a number of years, serving as a member of the school board, also organizing the first Dairy and 4-H Club in Yankton County. After many years of activity in this community, due to ill health, he and his family moved to Sioux Falls, where they have resided until his death on April 20, 1945.

He leaves to mourn his death: his widow and four children, Marie Mickaelsen at home, Mrs. Laurence Petersen of Viborg, Alvin E. Jensen of Sioux Falls, Daniel C. Jensen of Hartford. A son, Lt. Chris L. Jensen was reported dead in the Philippine Islands in 1943. Mr. Mickaelsen is also survived by six grand children, one brother and two sisters in Denmark, who have not been heard from since the beginning of the war.

Funeral services were conducted at the Spring Valley Lutheran Church on Monday, April 23. In the absence of the pastor, Rev. M. Harry Pedersen officiated and music was by the Church Choir. Pallbearers were, Bert Christensen, Chris Long, Charlie Jensen, John Buck, Charlie Petersen and Dan Andersen. Interment was in the Spring Valley cemetery.