BJERKAAS, Ole

January 17, 1881
August 20, 1957
Yankton, South Dakota

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Funeral Services Held Friday For Ole Bjerkaas

Funeral services for the late Ole Bjerkaas, 76, retired farmer who died Tuesday evening, Aug. 20th, at the Sacred Heart Hospital, were held Friday. Prayer services were held at the home at 1:30 o'clock and at Meldal Lutheran Church at 2:00. The Rev. I. J. Lovseth officiated with burial in the church cemetery.

Mrs. Melvin Bak was the organist. Soloist was Raymond Bak, accompanied by Carol Fletcher, who sang "The Old Rugged Cross" and "Someday We'll Understand".

Casket-bearers were: P. C. Petersen, I. F. Bjorlo, Martin Bratberg, Oscar Sletten, Sigurd Bakke, and Chris Brandser.

The deceased had been in failing health the last few months and became seriously ill Tuesday morning and passed away the same evening.

He was born on a farm near Center Point, Jan. 17, 1881, where he grew to manhood and spent his entire life. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith at the Meldal Church of which he was an active member.

In 1908 he was united in marriage to Inga Larsen who died in 1917. In 1919 he was married to Emma Eli. She died in 1952.

Survivors include three daughters: Bertha (Mrs. Fred Larsen) of Sioux Falls, Mabel (Mrs. Rennie Wolff) of Cherokee, Ia., Hilma (Mrs. Otto Eide) of Hurley, and one son, Arnold, of Irene. There are also four step-sons: Ole and Julius Eli of Viborg, Albert Eli of Volin and Guy Eli of Yankton, one brother, Iver Bjerkaas of Viborg, seven grandchidren, 11 step-grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Blessed be his memory.