

KNUDSEN, Lena (Hansen)

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Obituary

MRS. PETER B. KNUDSEN

Mrs. Peter B. Knudsen was born near Horsens, Denmark, June 3rd, 1856. She was baptized and confirmed in the local parish church, and on October 11th, 1879, was united in holy matrimony to Peter B. Knudsen at the same church.

After a time the family immigrated to the United States and settled at Stephenson, Michigan, May 26th, 1891, where they resided for four years, then moving to the Viborg vicinity which has been her home until the time of her death.

Mrs. Knudsen was the youngest and the last surviving member of her family. She was a devout Christian and a life-long member of the Lutheran Church and, in her younger years took an active part in the work of the church. She was the mother of eight children, two of whom preceded her in death, Hegbard in 1911 and Mrs. William Sherard in 1931. Mr. Knudsen passed away in 1920.

She leaves to mourn her death, her children, Hans Knudson of Yankton, S. D.; Mrs. Lona Smidt, with whom Mrs. Knudsen made her home; Mrs. Andrew Nelsen of Rio Linda, Calif.; Mrs. Nels P. Nielson of Sacramento, Calif.; and Alfred and Carl Knudsen of Viborg, S. Dak.; her twenty-two grandchildren; twenty-seven great

grandchildren and one great great grandchild.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, October 21, at her home and at Bethany Lutheran Church. Rev. M. H. Pedersen conducted the services and music at the church was furnished by the choir. Lunch was served by the Ladies Aids in the church basement after the committal service.

Pallbearers were Russel B., Kenneth and Keith Knudsen, Lyle and Berwin Sherard and Francis Smith. Interment was in The Bethania Cemetery, west of Viborg.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to the many friends who extended comforting sympathy and help in our bereavement, and to those who sent flowers and gifts in memorium. We are deeply grateful to the Ladies Aid and Willing Workers.

The Family