

MONK, Arlo

February 21, 1879
Swan Lake Township

Obituary of Arlo Monk 1954

Arlo Monk, son of Soren N. Monk and Kjersten M. Monk, was born February 21, 1879, at their homestead, one mile east of Viborg, where he grew to manhood.

He was united in marriage to Lena M. Jensen on June 5, 1901. Three children were born to this union, Sheridan of Portland, Ore., Owen and Arleen (Mrs. Louis Beier), both of Parker. He also reared Warren Pinney, a nephew of Mrs. Monk, who resides in Sioux Falls.

Mr. Monk took an active interest in civic affairs at Viborg, where he managed a lumber yard for several years. He had a partnership in the hardware business, and later became the proprietor of a furniture store prior to returning to his old homestead.

He served as a member of the board of education for many years, also became a Turner County Commissioner until he received the nomination as Clerk of Courts in Turner county in 1931, when he moved to Parker. He successfully served as Clerk of Courts for the past 23 years, until the time of his death.

He was a member of the First Baptist church of Viborg, and later became a member of the First Baptist church at Parker. He was always a faithful and devoted Christian, who served as clerk, trustee, and deacon. He enjoyed singing, and was always in his place in the choir.

Besides his immediate family he leaves to mourn his passing, eight grandchildren, one sister, Mrs. Joseph Swenson, a brother, Harvey, one niece, and three nephews.