OLESEN, Holger William

December 2, 1891
Salem Township
June 6, 1954
Viborg

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Last Rites For Holger Olesen

Funeral services for Holger W. Olesen were held on Wednesday, June 9th, from the home in Viborg at 1:30 P.M. and from Spring Valley Lutheran Church. Four songs were sung at the home and the church, "Just As I Am", "Abide With Me", "The Old Rugged Cross" and "In The Cross of Christ I Glory". Pastor H. S. Madsen officiated and burial was in the church cemetery. The pallbearers were: La Vern Olesen, Eugene Hendricksen, Neaph Ebbesen, Gordon Olesen, Leonard Sorensen and Alvin Sorensen. Honorary pallbearers were: Carl Westergaard, Harold Nielsen, Hans Sveen, Hjalmer Johnson, Elmer Andersen and Ted Anderson.

Holger Wm. Olesen, departed this life at the hospital in Viborg, S. Dak., Pentecost Sunday, June 6, 1954, at the age of 62 years. He became very sick on Monday, May 31, 1954.

He was the son of Hans and Maria Olesen, born in Salem Township, Turner County, South Dakota, December 2, 1891, where he spent his childhood and youth.

On January 28, 1914, he was united in marriage to Anna Sorensen, also of Turner County. They lived on a farm west of Viborg, also doing some trucking, until August of 1953 when they retired and moved to Viborg.

He was baptized and became a member of Spring Valley Lutheran Church on February 10th, 1918, and remained a member until his death.

He leaves to mourn, his devoted wife Anna, and six children: Wesley of Viborg, Ruby (Mrs. Edwin Nelson) Viborg, Erma (Mrs. Ray Unruh) Hurley, Opal (Mrs. Ellis Allen) Birmingham, Mich., Margie (Mrs. Ray Kahler) Mesick, Mich., Josephine (Mrs. Norman Nielsen) Centerville, S. D., and thirteen grandchildren mourn the passing of a beloved grandfather. Four sisters and three brothers also survive him. His parents and one grandson, Douglas Unruh, preceded him in death. He had friends who sympathized and mourn with his dear ones.

Blessed be his memory.