

LAURITZEN, Evert

Born: July 28, 1889

Dwight, Illinois

Died: February 28, 1921

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OBITUARY, EVERT LAURITZEN

Evert Lauritzen, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Lauritzen, was born at Dwight, Ill., on July 28th, 1889. At the age of 14 he was confirmed in the Danish Lutheran church of that place. As a young man he came with his parents to Centerville, S. D., in March, 1911. On September 5th, 1915 he was united in marriage to Anna Emelia Vasgaard and located on a farm near Davis, S. D., where he was living at the time of his death. To this union was born one son, Ellsworth Eldred, who is too young to realize the loss of a loving father.

Evert was taken sick February 18th and died February 28th of pneumonia, at the age of 31 years and 7 months, leaving to mourn his death, his young wife and son, his mother Mrs. H. J. Lauritzen, five brothers—Louis, Hans and Charley, of Illinois, Martin, of Viborg, and Holger, of Centerville, and three sisters—Mrs. Nels Hansen, of Plentywood, Montana, Mrs. Theo. J. Christensen and Dora, both of Centerville.

After his marriage, Evert joined the Danish Evangelical Lutheran church of Viborg, of which he was a member until his death.

Burial took place March 3rd, Rev. Skarpness, of Centerville, spoke in English at the home, Rev. Evald Kristensen, of Viborg, in Danish and Rev. Solem, of Lennox, in English at the church. Rev. Skarpness also rendered a beautiful song: "Lead me gently home" and the choir a Danish hymn.

Evert was laid to rest in the Viborg cemetery by his father's side.

"Peaceful be thy silent slumber,

Peaceful in thy grave so low;

Thou no more will join our number,

Thou no more our sorrow know;

Yet again we hope to meet thee,

When the day of life is fled,

And in heaven to greet thee

Where no farewell tears are shed."

—Contributed.