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OBITUARY

Another of our early pioneers and settlers has passed out of our midst. This time it was Mrs. Emmer Christensen. It is with sadness we see these stalwart old builders of our community go. Their work, toil and suffering to build up our community to its present prosperous state; their experience and old age have tied them to us and to our land with inseparable bonds which not even death breaks because in our community lies hidden their work, their experiences, their griefs and sorrows, as well as their influence.

Mrs. Emmer Christiansen nee Petrine Nelson, the youngest of eight children was born in Sønder, Bindshov Denmark on October 30th 1853. She immigrated to America in 1879 and arrived at Danville, Turner County, Dakota Territory. Shortly after her arrival, she was united in Holy Matrimony on May 5, 1879 to Emmer Christensen, who had settled on a homestead in Centerville Township some years before her coming; and they made their first home on this farm.

To this union were born nine children, six of whom are living. They are: Mrs. Harry Nelson, Viborg; Mrs. Martin Kaarup, Wakonda; Mrs. Viggo Holm, Wakonda; Nels C. Christensen, Wakonda; Andrew P. Christensen and Edwin H. Christensen of Viborg. The other children died in infancy.

Mrs. Christensen died May 22, 1928 at an age of 74 years, 6 months and 22 days. Her husband, six children twenty-one grandchildren and two great-grandchildren now mourn the loss of a loving wife, and kind and devoted mother and grandmother. She outlived her brothers and sisters. Two brothers, Paul C. Nelson and Christen Nelson, and two sisters, Mrs. Christen Christensen and Anne Johanna Christensen, who was Emmer Christensen's first wife, have all gone before. They were all arly settlers and pioneers of Turner County.

Mrs. Christensen was revered and respected by all who knew her. She was a woman of sterling character. The large following at the funeral services held at the Scan. Evang. Lutheran Church Friday, May 25th gave evidence of the great esteem in which she was held. Rev. Hans C. Jersild officiated. The choir of

the church furnished music. Interment was made at the Baptist cemetery one and one-half miles east of Viborg.

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to thank those who sympathized with us during the illness and death of our beloved wife and mother, especially were we grateful for the many beautiful floral offerings, the song by the choir and the words of comfort by Rev. Hans C. Jersild.

Emmer Christensen and children.