

FUNERAL SERVICES HELD SUNDAY FOR MRS. ANNA PEDERSON

Funeral services for Mrs. Anna Pederson were held on Sunday, July 5, from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church with Pastor Melvin Tatley officiating. Organist was Mrs. Jorgen Brakvatne and soloist was Mr. Curtis Anderson. Pallbearers were Ordeil Gustafson, Charles Gustafson, Wayne Pederson, John Pederson, John Gran, and James Gran. Interment was in Bang Cemetery.

Anna Judith Pederson, daughter of Peter and Ottina Jorstad, was born October 2, 1888, in Turner County, near Freeman, S. Dak. She was baptized Nov. 4, 1888, and confirmed Dec. 11, 1904, at Salem Lutheran Church by Pastor L. L. Mastad. On Feb. 14, 1909, she was united in marriage to John B. Pederson of Freeman, S. Dak., at the Jorstad home by Rev. John Levorson. To this union were born five children: Olga, Mrs. Joseph Gran of Irene, S. Dak., Oliver Pederson of Freeman, Helen Holm and Peder Pederson of Viborg, S. Dak., and Selmer who died in World War II.

She was preceded in death by her husband who passed away Dec. 13, 1954; a son, Selmer, who gave his life in Okinawa in the service of his country; a son-in-law, Raymond Gustafson; three sisters, Merna, Margaret, and Pauline; two brothers, Lewis and Ole; and her parents.

With the exception of 7 years spent in North Dakota, she has lived in this community her entire life.

She was a faithful and devout member of Our Redeemer Lutheran Church and even though she had some distance to go, she attended regularly.

She leaves to mourn her passing: two daughters, Olga and Helen; one daughter-in-law, Mrs. Oliver Pederson; two sons, Oliver and Peder; and one son-in-law, Joseph Gran; 13 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; five sisters, Tillie, Laura, Helen and Mabel, all of Freeman, and Inga of Scotland, S. Dak.; and one brother, Thorvald of Freeman, S. Dak.; many relatives and a host of friends.

Two years ago she suffered a light heart attack but had been in fair health since. On Tuesday evening, June 30, 1970, she became ill and was taken to Pioneer Memorial Hospital Viborg, where she passed away July 2, 1970, at the age of 81 years and 9 months.

She was a kind, loving and humble mother, grandmother and friend. Blessed be her memory.