LARSEN, Lars Christian

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LARS CHRISTIAN LARSEN

Lars Christian Larsen was born February 2, 1881, in Gudimn Logn, Denmark. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran Church. He received his elementary education in Denmark and also compulsory military training. He followed in the footsteps of his father, becoming a blacksmith by trade.

He emigrated to America in 1901 and lived in Viborg, S. Dak., making his home with his brother for three years. He was united in marriage with Violet Jesse Nelson, March 29, 1905. To this union were born two boys and five girls.

Residence was established on a farm in Spring Valley Township near Viborg. The family lived on three different rented farms before purchasing a farm of their own in 1913 near Freeman. This was the family home until 1950 when they moved to Yankton, at which time Mr. Larsen retired.

In June, 1954, his health began to fail. He became a patient at Sacred Heart Hospital March 16, of this year, and passed away on Wednesday, April 6th, at the age of 74 years, 2 months and 4 days. He was the youngest of 5 brothers, the other 4 having preceded him in death.

He is survived by his wife, Violet, of Yankton, by two sons, Walter of Irene, S. D., and Earl of Freeman, S. D., by 4 daughters, Mrs. Ivy Hawkey of Sioux Falls, Mrs. Eddie Westergaard of Viborg, Mrs. Floyd Christensen of Freeman, and Mrs. Marion Mueller of Yankton, by 13 grandchildren and 3 great-grandchildren. May God bless his memory among us.

Funeral services were held at Salem Lutheran Church, Freeman, and were conducted by the Rev. Virgil Johnson of Parker, with the sermon by Rev. C. G. Lygre of Yankton. Solosts were Mrs. Charles Petersen and Mrs. Wilbur Odland. Burial services were held at the Spring Valley Lutheran cemetery near Viborg, with the following as pallbearers: Rolland Larsen, Evert Jensen, Murray Westegaard, Glenmore Jensen, and honorary bearers were Charley Andersen, Albert Gulickson, Gerald Hansen, Steffen Jensen and Ed. Christensen.