

Obituary

Mrs. Katherine Kelting, nee Katherine Bernhardt, was born in Wunderthausen, Germany, Nov. 16, 1859, and came to America in 1882. In 1886 she was married to John Kelting of this place. For the first four years of their married life, the couple farmed southwest of Wheatland, and then moved near Bennett, where they resided a number of years.

In 1908 they again returned to Wheatland, settling on their small tract just west of town. Mr. Kelting died on Nov. 5, 1933, and Mrs. Kelting then lived alone for several years, being cared for finally by Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hythecker. Advancing age with the accompanying physical and mental disabilities caused her removal to the county home at Charlotte in July of 1945.

She passed from this life in her sleep on Monday morning, March 14, at the age of 89 years.

She was a charter member of the Ladies Aid Society of the Peace E. & R. church at Bennett.

Five children and her husband preceded her in death, the children all dying in infancy.

Services were held Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 at the Hythecker home and at 2:00 at St. Pauls church, with Rev. C. H. Koehler officiating. Mrs. Koehler sang, accompanied by Miss Wilma Biedesel at the pipe organ.

Pallbearers were Louis Kelting, Emil Kelting, Conrad Burhop, Carl Bicknese, Orval Voelkers and Frank Smith. Burial was in St. Pauls cemetery.

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