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George Strackbein, a former Anthon resident, died at 8:45 p.m. Friday, August 13, 1937, at his home in Sioux City at the age of 83 years, 3 months and 9 days. Death was caused by complications incident to old age. While his health began to fail in the spring he did not become bedfast until a week before his demise. Born May 4, 1854, at Westphalia, Germany, he came to the United States in 1882 and settled in Cedar Co., Iowa. A year later he moved to Woodbury County but returned to Lowden in Cedar County to marry Miss Lorraine Schmidt in February 1885. The couple took up farming near Anthon and all their married life was spent in Woodbury County. A hard worker, Mr. Strackbein saved enough so he could retire from farming in 1911. He built a house in Anthon where they lived until 1921 when they moved to Sioux City, where the remainder of his life was spent. He was a member of St. Paul Lutheran Church while residing in the Anthon community and became affiliated with Concordia Lutheran Church in Sioux City. In 1910, Mr. Strackbein made a trip to his old home in Germany and spent four months in his native land. He enjoyed this trip immensely and liked to speak of his experiences there. At the same time he visited his brother John, now deceased, in New Jersey. Survivors include the widow of Sioux City, two sons, Carl of Sioux City and Leon of Tacoma, Washington; two daughters, Mrs. Pete Petersen and Mrs. Jens Petersen of east of Anthon, 11 grandchildren and one great grandchild. Funeral services were held at 1 p.m. Monday in the Nelson Berger Funeral Chapel in Sioux City with Rev. G.A. Matthaides officiating. The remains were taken to St. Paul Lutheran Church at Midway where rites were conducted at 3 p.m. by Rev. Matthaides. Interment was made in the Midway Cemetery.