

Mrs. Hans Kelting Dies

Last Thursday evening, June 20th, at 8:30 o'clock, occurred the death of Mrs. Hans Kelting at her home, after an illness of several months.

Mrs. Kelting, nee Mary Strackbein, was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Strackbein, and was born January 1, 1856, in Germany. She came to America in 1881 and was united in marriage to Hans Kelting on October 10, 1884. The couple farmed southwest of Wheatland until they retired in 1913. Mrs. Kelting was a member of St. Pauls church and its Ladies Aid Society.

Left to mourn her passing are her husband; two sons, Louis and Emil, both of Wheatland; six grandchildren and three great-grandchildren; and a host of friends.

Funeral services were held at 1:30 p. m. Sunday in the home and at 2:00 o'clock in St. Pauls church with Rev. C. H. Koehler officiating. Burial was made in St. Pauls cemetery.

The following hymns, "Asleep in Jesus" and "Just When I Need Him Most," were sung by Mrs. Ella Zeller, Mrs. Lydia Schneider, Kenneth Hoffmann and Albert Wagner.

Pallbearers were Henry Knabel, Henry Boettcher, Alvin Leinbaugh, Edward Kageman, Chris Doehrmann and Herman Schneider. The flowers were in charge of Mrs. Henry Boettcher, Mrs. Chris Doehrmann, Miss Dolly Copp and Miss Esther Copp.

Thus closed a chapter in this good lady's life, who was a loving wife and mother, a fine neighbor and a friend to all, young and old. May she receive her reward in Heaven.

Cord of Thanks

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She was born Maria Elisabeth Strackbein in the village of Wunderthausen, from which scores of others had also emigrated to the Wheatland area. Her husband's given name was Johannes Hinrich Kelting, though he was known as Hans. The two sons, Louis and Emil, were the only children they had.

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