

**GEORGE NELSON
FUNERAL SERVICES
HELD TUESDAY**
E-8-24-68

Funeral services were held Tuesday for George W. Nelson, long-time farmer of the Blair area, who died suddenly last Saturday afternoon.

Mr. Nelson, who was 73 years old, was operating a tractor in a field of his farm and death came suddenly. The Blair Rescue unit was called to assist but he had died prior to his arrival at the hospital.

Mr. Nelson was born July 15, 1895 at Blair. He had lived in the area all of his life and had devoted his life to farming. For many years he had lived on a farm southeast of Blair at the top of a hill which is known to everyone as the "Nelson Hill." The name has become commonplace to designate a much-used route into the rural areas southeast of Blair.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret, to whom he was married in 1928 at Glenwood, Iowa.

Others surviving are a son and two daughters. The son is Keith A. Nelson, of Millard, Nebraska. The daughters are Miss Carol Nelson, who is at home and Mrs. William Bolln (Joan), of Chadron, Nebraska. There are five grandchildren.

A sister, Miss Alta Nelson, lives at Fremont.

Mr. Nelson was a World War I veteran.

Funeral services Tuesday morning were held at the Congregational Church in Blair with the Rev. Leo D. Zillig, of Arlington conducting the service. Burial was made in the Memorial Park Cemetery at Fremont under the direction of the Bendorf Funeral Home of Blair.

Pallbearers were Ray Anderson, Neal Andreasen, Rueben Kay, Clark Jensen, J. D. Johnson and J. H. Pugh.

**MRS. MARY RICHTER
IS BURIED SATURDAY**
PT-8-26-68 Bolln

Mrs. Mary Richter, a former resident of Washington County, was buried Saturday morning following services at St. Mary's Episcopal Church. Mrs. Richter was 74 years of age and a resident of Natchitoches, Louisiana. She was the wife of A. J. Richter who survives her death. Old timers will remember the Richters as operators of a brick-making yard on west Washington street some fifty years ago.

In addition to her husband, she leaves a son, A. Jack Richter, of California and a daughter, Mrs. Barbara Stoutlemeier, of Louisiana.

Mrs. Louise Wolff, of Blair is a sister. Another sister, Mrs. Olga Micheels lives in Omaha and a brother, Gene Bolln lives in California.

Mrs. Richter was raised in the Ft. Calhoun area and she and her husband left here about forty years ago.

Father William Shattuck conducted the services and burial was made in the Ft. Calhoun cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Mortuary.

**HERMAN A. GASSER
DIED AUGUST 25TH**
E-8-29-68

Herman A. Gasser, a long-time resident of the area just west of Kennard, died at his home last Sunday, August 25th. He had been in failing health for a number of months. He was 70 years old.

Mr. Gasser was born at Bennington August 8th, 1898. He had spent his life as a farmer of the Kennard area.

He is survived by a brother and three sisters. His wife preceded him in death a number of years ago.

The brother is Reinhardt Gasser, of Talmage, Nebraska.

A sister Anna, now Mrs. Edward Gathje, lives at Wayne, Nebraska. Another sister, Meta, now Mrs. Louis Goreham, lives at Arlington and Miss Tracy Gasser, was at home at Kennard.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the Bendorf Funeral Home with the Rev. George Pallesen conducting the service. Interment was made in the Blair Cemetery under the direction of the Bendorf Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were all nephews of the deceased man. They were Harold Gathje, Russell Beckman, Leo Goreham, Leonard Goreham, Sr., Leonard Goreham, Jr., and Wilfred Sheets.

**Elmer Thone
Died Late
Friday**
E-8-22-68

Elmer Thone, well known farmer of the vicinity southwest of Herman, died late Friday afternoon at the Methodist Hospital in Omaha. He had been hospitalized for several months.

Mr. Thone, a member of a pioneer Washington County family, was 71 years old. He had been a farmer and a resident of Washington County all of his life.

He is survived by two sons, Elmer L. Thone, Jr., and Dr. James O. Thone, both of Blair. A daughter, Mrs. Ida Widger, lives at Wauneta, Nebraska. There are nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

His wife, Edna, preceded him in death. A brother, Clarence Thone, lives at Herman.

Funeral services were held Monday afternoon at the First Lutheran Church in Blair with the Rev. George Pallesen conducting the service. Burial was made in the Blair cemetery under the direction of the Bendorf Funeral Home.

Pallbearers were Howard Williamsen, Fred Gregerson, Merle Ward, Pete Nohrenberg, Howard Kubie and Kenneth Pence.

**MRS. CHRISTINA
WIDENER BURIED
TUESDAY**
E-8-29-68

Funeral services were held at the First Lutheran Church in Blair on Tuesday August 27 for Mrs. Christina Widener. The Rev. George Pallesen officiated.

Christina Sorensen was born January 9, 1888 at Arlington, Nebr. She was the last surviving member of a family of four children born to Paul and Maria Sorensen.

On October 3, 1906 she was united in marriage to Robert L. Widener. To this union four children were born. Her husband and two sons John and Paul preceded her in death. Survivors are a son Howard of Herman, a daughter (Ruth) Mrs. Walter Jahnel of Tekamah, a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Marjorie Johnson of Omaha, six grandchildren, four great grandchildren.

Mrs. Widener spent her entire life in Washington and Burt counties. She had been in ill health for many years and passed away on Friday August 23 at the Crowell Memorial Home in Blair where she had lived the past nine months.

Interment was made in the Blair cemetery under the direction of the Campbell Mortuary.

Mrs. Widener's nephews, Alfred Hansen, Don Harry and Clark

PRITCHARD—Rosetta (Dolly), age 84, Valley, Neb. Survived by husband, Mrs. Lee Lanphere, Bull Shoals, Ark.; nephews, George Reyner, Mitchell, S. D., Glenn Reyner, Baltimore, Md., Charles Reyner, Arlington, Va.; grand niece, Mrs. Ruth Fletcher, Elkhorn, Neb.
Funeral Tuesday, 10 a. m. at the SWANSON FUNERAL HOME, VALLEY. Memorials may be made to the Cancer Fund. Interment Prospect Hill Cemetery.

COUTTS—Marie M., age 66 years, 3018 N. 48th Ave. Survived by husband, Harold E.; 2 daughters, Mrs. Eugene (Marilyn) Kempnich, Mrs. H. L. (Dolores) Parker, both of Orlando, Fla.; 8 grandchildren; 1 great-grandchild; nephews and nieces.
Funeral Tuesday, 11:30 a. m. from St. Paul's Methodist Church, 54th and Corby Sts. Interment Blair, Neb. Cemetery. Memorials acceptable to St. Paul's Methodist Church.
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