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Bunceton Man Dies After Long Illness

BUNCETON—Funeral services for Wesley Green Cook, who died Wednesday morning, Dec. 24, at his home after an illness of four years, were held at the Parker Funeral Home Friday afternoon, Dec. 26, at 2 o'clock. The Rev. H. A. Wood of Otterville conducted the rites. Burial was in the Masonic Cemetery at Bunceton.

Pallbearers were George Langkop, David Layne, J. B. Daniel, W. J. Richey, Newton Brizendine, and E. L. Langkop.

Wesley Green Cook, son of the late George H. and Cynthia Alice Cook was born May 30, 1895 in Cooper County on a farm northwest of Otterville.

June 5, 1915, he was married to Miss Birdie Lourey and to this union three daughters were born, Kathryn Marie, now Mrs. Joe A. Connaway, and Virginia, both of Kansas City, and Ruth Ann, now Mrs. Marlon S. Foster, Jr., of Bunceton.

Beside his widow and three daughters, he is survived by one granddaughter, Marian Ann Foster; two brothers, Norvil Cook of Sedalia, and Earl Cook of Bunceton; and one sister, Mrs. Harve Rennison of Smithton. He also leaves several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents and brother, O. L. Cook of Chilhowee, and a sister, Mrs. Millard Thomas of Sedalia.

Mr. Cook had been in business in Bunceton for the past 13 years, operating a feed and produce store for a number of years. Later he and his wife operated a grocery store here. He had been in failing health for the last four years.

Ernest W. Drake

Retired Rocheport Farmer Is Dead

ROCHEPORT—Funeral services were held at Parker's Chapel, Columbia, Friday afternoon for Ernest W. Drake, who died Dec. 23 at the Boone County hospital in Columbia following a long illness.

The Rev. C. O. Hatcher of Columbia conducted the rites and burial was in the Walnut Grove Cemetery just north of Rocheport. Pallbearers were nephews.

Mr. Drake owned a farm near Rocheport where he lived until August 1945 when he retired and moved to Columbia. He was born in Howard County near here, Oct. 31, 1871, the son of the late George W. and Julia Pipes Drake and was married in 1893 to Miss Nora Pearson, daughter of the late Mr.

and Mrs. George H. Pearson of Hilldale, near Rocheport.

Survivors include his widow, one daughter, Mrs. Paul (Eunice) Vandiver, who lives on the farm, one son, David Drake, of an adjoining farm, one grandson, Charles D. Drake, and one great granddaughter, Kathleen Sue, of Columbia, and one sister, Mrs. H. H. Pippen of Rocheport. A son, Donald Drake, preceded him in death several years ago.

Mr. Drake was a member of the Bethlehem Baptist Church.

Mr Drake
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Nora Pearson, dau of
the late Mr & Mrs
George H. Pearson
of Hilldale near
Rocheport.