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 Parkers Chapel at Bunceton. Burial was in the cemetery at Bunceton.

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

Wesley Green Cook, son of the late George H. and Cynthia Alice Cook was born May 30, 1893 in Cooper County on a farm northwest of Otterville.

June 5, 1905, he was married to Miss Birdie Lourcy and to this union three daughters were born, Kathryn, now Mrs. Joe A. Connaway, and Virginia, both of Kansas City, and Ruth Ann, now Mrs. Marion S. Foster, Jr., of Bunceton.

Besides his widow and three daughters, he is survived by one granddaughter, Marion Ann Foster; two brothers, Norvil Cook of Sedalia, and Earl Cook of Bunceton; and one sister, Mrs. Harv Hennison 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.

Retired Rocheport Farmer Is Dead

ROCHEPORT—Funeral services were held at Parkers 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. O. C. Hatcher, of Columbia, conducted the rites and burial was in the Walnut Grove Cemetery just north of Rocheport.

Pallbearers were nephews and nieces: 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 M. 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 only daughter, Mrs. Pauline Ryan, of Rocheport, and two brothers, David Drake of the farm, one son, Charles Drakey and one granddaughter, Kathleen Smith.

Mr. Drake preceded him in death his parents, the late Mr. and Mrs. George H. Pearson of Hilldale near Rocheport.

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