

Harry Freeman Swarts

Harry Freeman Swarts was born near Greenville, Mercer county, Pa., December 6, 1849, and passed away at the Odd Fellows home at York, Nebr., June 15, 1931, at the age of 81 years, 6 months, and 9 days. He was a member of a family of six children, three sister and two brothers. Jasper W. and Samuel D., having preceded him in death. When a child he with his parents, moved to the state of Ohio and later in life he moved to Kansas where he was united in marriage to Ida Weaver. They moved to Filley, Nebr. about the year 1908 and it was at this place Mrs. Swarts passed to the Great Beyond in 1920. In 1922 Mr. Swarts moved to Virginia, Nebr., where he resided until he was stricken with paralysis, August 25, 1929. In October of the same year he was taken to the Odd Fellows home at York, where he spent his remaining days. He was a faithful member of the Methodist church until his death. he possessed a cheerful disposition and made friends easily wherever he went and will be greatly missed by those who knew him best. He is survived by three sisters, Mrs. Francena Waltzer of Danville, Ill., Mrs Sadie Luppold and Mrs. Mary Stockard of Williamsport, Ind., two sister-in-laws, a number of nieces and nephews and a host of friends. Funeral services were held at the Christian church at Virginia June 18, conducted by Rev. Zimmerman, pastor of the church and the body laid to rest by the side of his wife in the Virginia cemetery.

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Harry Swarts Funeral

Kathryn Swarts went to York on Wednesday to attend the funeral of her uncle Harry Swarts that was held in the I.O.O.F. home as is their custom when one of their number passes away there. The body was brought to Beatrice by Charles Harman on Wednesday afternoon, then brought here for the funeral by C.H. Zimmerman. Several men from Crab Orchard were here on Tuesday as representatives of the Lodge, to see about holding fraternal services at the grave of H.F. Swarts.

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