

Pearl W. Johnson Dies Unexpectedly

Pearl W. Johnson, 74, lifelong resident of Barry county, died unexpectedly Saturday noon at his home on State street. Death came from a heart attack, a few minutes after he had returned to his home, a block from the business section.

Funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the Otto funeral home, with the Rev. Arthur Howell, pastor of the Nashville Methodist church officiating. Burial was in Lakeview cemetery.

Mr. Johnson was born at Middleville, Oct. 20, 1878, the son of Robert and Matilda (Coykendoll) Johnson. On March 14, 1900, at Middleville, he was married to Miss Maude Bliss. They celebrated their golden wedding anniversary three years ago.

The Johnsons lived in Middleville 28 years, moving to Nashville more than 25 years ago. For many years they owned a farm just east of the village limits but about three years ago sold the farm and bought the home in town. Mr. Johnson was employed for a time at the Standard Stamping company plant here.

Mr. Johnson leaves his wife, Maude; one son, Harry, of Nashville; a sister, Mrs. George (Floy) Demings of Grand Rapids; two brothers, Stanley of Dutton and Lloyd of Battle Creek, and a grandson, Jerry.

Obituaries

HARRY O. SIXBERRY

Harry Orville Sixberry, son of William and Viola Strickland Sixberry, was born May 10, 1880 in Castleton township and passed away at Pennock hospital, April 13, 1953 at the age of 72 years, 11 months and three days.

On March 14, 1905 he was united in marriage to Bessie Hollister who preceded him in death. To this union was born six children, Velma and Francis who preceded him in death. He leaves to mourn their loss, three sons, Lloyd of Nashville, Lawrence and Gayle of Vermontville and one daughter, Dorothea Knoll of Battle Creek. Six grand daughters and five grandsons, two sisters, Bessie Brinker of Kalamazoo and Hattie Mead of Verlo, Sask. Canada. Several nieces and nephews and a host of friends.

He was a kind and loving father and grandfather, was always ready and willing to lend a helping hand to those who needed him and will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

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Robert F. Wagner

FORMER Senator Robert F. Wagner, of New York, died Monday at the age of 80.

He was the sponsor of the Wagner Labor Relations Act which still is the basis of the Taft-Hartley law.

The Wagner Act spelled out the right of striking men and women to join a labor organization of their own choice and ordered an employer to bargain with the union having a majority membership. It is hailed by labor as its "Magna Charta."

Wagner, a poor German immigrant who rose to the heights in the best American tradition, also was the sponsor of the Social Security program, public housing legislation, anti-lynch bills and many other measures which carried the "liberal" stamp during Franklin D. Roosevelt's tenure in the White House.

Like all great controversial figures, Wagner left an indelible mark on the pages of American history. He was one of the leaders of a revolution which greatly changed the social and economic customs of this Nation.

A loving one from us has gone,
A voice we loved is still,
A place is vacant in our home,
Which never can be filled.
God in his wisdom has recalled,
The boon his love has given,
Although his body slumbers here,
His soul is safe in heaven.

REV. EARL S. SCOTT

Funeral services for Rev. Earl S. Scott, former Vermontville Methodist minister were held April 15 at Yonkers New York.

Rev. Scott was ordained into the Methodist ministry and in 1925 he joined the Michigan Conference of the Methodist church and served at Jerome and Vermontville and then transferred to the New England conference.

He was born at Quimby, Michigan and attended schools of Hastings and Albion college.

REV. FREDERICK CLOUGH

Rev. Frederick Clough Methodist minister here in 1936 and 1937 died at Clark Memorial Home in Grand Rapids, Thursday April 16.

Rev. Clough retired from the ministry in 1939.

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