

Services Saturday for Mrs. Bertha Van Blarcom

Mrs. Bertha Van Blarcom of R. 1, Vermontville passed away Wednesday, January 6, at the Pennoek hospital in Hastings after a short illness. She was 75 years of age.

Funeral services will be held Saturday afternoon in Mapes Funeral home in Sunfield at 1 o'clock. Interment will be in Sunfield cemetery.

The Rev. Howard Lindsay will officiate.

A complete obituary will appear in next week's paper.

Past Lake Odessa Resident Buried There on Saturday

Mrs. Anna M. Kussmaul, 80, of Ferndale, and former Lake Odessa resident died at her home Wednesday, Feb. 24 about 11 a.m. She was born Aug. 27, 1879, in Eaton county.

Her parents were George and Christina Smith Hildinger who for many years resided on their farm just over the line in Eaton county, east of Lake Odessa on M-50.

Mrs. Kussmaul was a private piano instructor for many years while at Lake Odessa and moved to the Detroit area with her husband, Gottlieb in 1915. He died in 1948.

She was also an active member of the Lake Odessa O.E.S. Chapter.

Surviving are two brothers, Byron J. Hildinger of Ann Arbor and Lawrence R. Hildinger of Lansing.

Funeral services were held Saturday at the Pickens chapel in Lake Odessa with interment in Lake Odessa cemetery. Rev. F. J. Fitch officiated.

At the time of her death she was recording secretary for the Democratic State Central committee since the post was created in 1955. She was also active in other Democratic affairs.

With her husband, Carl, Mrs. Brodbeck lived in "Brodbeck Acres," a farm in the same family in Woodland township for 100 years. They raised registered sheep and cattle.

Surviving besides her husband, Carl, are several cousins.

Funeral rites were conducted Monday, Dec. 28, from the Pickens Funeral chapel in Lake Odessa. Pastor Robert Richardson, of Zion Lutheran Church, officiated at the 1:30 p.m. service. Interment was in Lakeside cemetery, Lake Odessa.

Attending the funeral was Governor G. Mennen Williams and other Democratic state officials. Also Mrs. Bernice Curtis, former chaplain of the Michigan State Grange, of Charlotte, and Mrs. Mabel Althaus of Durand.

Casketbearers were Anthony Balice, Emil Baitinger, Henry Wonters, Victor Eckardt, Theo Lenon and O. J. Robinson.

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Funeral services for Mrs. Wirt were held from the Gorsline-Runciman funeral home at 10:30 a. m. Monday. Rev. Evelyn Smith of the Lower Light Rescue Mission officiating. Interment in Freemire cemetery, Sunfield. Pallbearers were Kenneth Brainerd, Phillip Brainerd, Warren Alexander, William Gould, Kenneth Childs and Glen Taylor.



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