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Herman Oldenburg, 83

Herman William Oldenburg, son of Herman and Emma Kopling Oldenburg was born July 23, 1899 in Altamont, Ill. His mother died when he was very young and his father married August Beccue who raised him.

He came to this area in the mid 1920's. He married Gertrude Wendt on Jan. 18, 1930 in Avoca. He farmed in the Avoca area until 1964 when he moved into town. He moved to Harlan to be near his son, Dean, in 1973. Mrs Oldenburg died Feb. 4, 1979.

He became a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in 1980. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran church. He died Friday, Jan. 28, 1983 at the Myrtue Memorial hospital at the age of 83.

He was preceded in death by parents, his wife, four brothers, Arnold, Harry, Rby and Willie, two sisters, Edna Hastings and Rose Adams. Survivors include one son, Dean, of Harlan; one daughter, Donna (Mrs Russell) Knuth of DeSoto; three grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs Elmer (Julia) Wendling and Mrs Kenneth (Nora) Matlock both of Altamont, Ill.; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Services were held Monday, Jan. 31, 1983 at the Trinity Lutheran church in Avoca with Pastor Harold Peterson officiating. Burial was in the Graceland cemetery in Avoca with Eugene Wendt, Lauren Leaders, Jerry Hansen, Robert Wendt, Dennis Jacobsen and Lawrence Rasmussen serving as casketbearers.