

Albert De Koning Dies At Lynnville

(By a Staff Correspondent).

Lynnville, Ia., Feb. 11, Special:

Albert De Koning Jr., son of Albert and Johanna De Koning was born at Pella, Iowa, Aug. 1, 1901. He was married to Marie Van Der Meiden of Oskaloosa, Iowa on Oct. 19, 1927. On Jan. 27, 1930, he was taken to the hospital at Des Moines for a mastoid operation; a complication sent in, and on Jan. 28, at 7:10, after four days intense suffering, at the age of 28 years, 5 months, and 28 days the death angel came and took his spirit back to the God who gave it. The Lord giveth and the Lord taketh away; blessed be the name of the Lord.

He is survived by his widow Mrs. Marie De Koning, two children, Wilma Antonetta and Johanna Alberta, and a host of friends and relatives, among them, his father, Albert De Koning, two brothers, Jacob De Koning and Cornelius De Koning, and four sisters, Mrs. Elizabeth Veldhuizen, Mrs. Jennie Harsseelaar, Alleda De Koning, and Mrs. Wouterina Van Zee.

He was a devoted Christian, true to his convictions, and we sadly regret giving him up, but realize our loss is Heaven's gain. We miss him, but God had a better place for him, and some day we expect to meet him where partings are no more.

We cannot say, we must not say,
That he is dead; he is just away.
With a cheery smile and a wave
of the hand,
He has wandered into an unknown
land,
And left us dreaming how very
fair
It must be, since he lingers there.
Think of him still the same, and
say,
"He is not dead, he is just away."

A short funeral service was held in the home of Mr. A. De Koning on Thursday, Feb. 6, 1930, at 12 P. M., when Rev. H. Blystra read Psalms 27 and 146 and 2nd Corinthians 5 and offered a prayer; Then at one o'clock in the Christian Reformed Church in Sully as the cortege entered the organist played softly, "Nearer, Still Nearer." Then the congregation sang Psalm 42 the 5th verse; then Rev. Mr. Blystra read from the Scriptures John 11:1-27, and preached on the text, "Lazarus our friend sleepeth," after which the congregation sang Psalm 42, the second verse.

The pall bearers were: George Terpstra, Marion Van Zoelen, Henry Van Der Voort, Cornie Netten, John Bruxvoort, Roy Van Koeten. Interment was made at Sully Cemetery.