

**FUNERAL FOR ^{MR}
MICHAEL RANK ^{August 6}
HELD ON JULY 24 ¹⁹⁵⁹**

Michael Adam, eldest child of Jacob and Rosina Ruff Rank, was born near Wilton Junction, Aug. 8, 1870, and died July 22.

At the age of 5 he moved with his parents to the new family home on the Iowa Poweshiek county line.

On Feb. 28, 1895, he was married to Mary Elizabeth Hopwood; this union was blessed with eight children.

He received his education in the district school. In his youth he was confirmed in St. Johns Lutheran church and in 1920 became a member of the Christian church in Deep River where he was an elder until his death.

He served the community

for many years as a school board member and in other public offices.

Since the death of his wife, July 15, 1941, his daughter Helen, and family have lived with him and maintained the family home.

He has been in failing health the past three years and quietly passed away in his sleep at the Rest Haven Nursing Home in Sigourney last Wednesday morning.

He leaves to mourn his passing his children: Freeda (Mrs. Harry Taylor), Helen (Mrs. Richard Stowe), George and Burton, all of Deep River; Leah (Mrs. Albert Weiss) of What Cheer; Clara (Mrs. Russell Doonan) of Pueblo, Colo., Rose (Mrs. George Pendleton) Thornburg; Miriam (Mrs. Marcus Stowe) Marshalltown; 27 grandchildren, 36 great-grandchildren, two great-great grandchildren, and many other relatives and friends.

Funeral services, under the direction of the Steffy Funeral Home, were held at 2 p.m. July 24, at the Deep River Christian church, conducted by Rev. Phillip Kinton, Pierson, Iowa. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Icenbice, accompanied by Mrs. Helen Icenbice, sang "Ivory Palaces" and "Near to the Heart of God." Interment was in the Golden Rod cemetery at Deep River, the casket was borne to its final resting place by his eight grandsons: Arlo and Lyle Taylor, Bernard, David and Michael Rank, Gary Stowe, James Doonan and Kenneth Weiss.