

## Obituary Of <sup>G-4</sup> <sup>1-73-1928</sup> Frederick Schafer

Frederick Schafer was born in Germany, Sept. 29, 1837, son of Alterman John and Emma Marie Schafer. He was baptized and confirmed in the German Lutheran Church in Germany. He came to this country with his mother and only brother when he was fourteen years old. His father had died when he was three years old. He was married to Otilie Emma Obert June 1, 1865 in St. Louis, Mo., then moved to Scott Co., Iowa and lived there until Sept. 1874 when they came to Malcom, Poweshiek Co., Iowa, where his wife passed away June 6, 1889.

There were ten children born to this union; six sons and four daughters; the youngest son Frank died when he was six years old, the eldest daughter, Mary died April 23, 1917, the rest of the living children are, Mrs. Lizzie Kitzman, Beaman, Ia.; Mrs. Caroline Heath of New England, North Dakota; John of Strasburg, Colorado; George of Malcom, Iowa; Henry of Vigo Park, Texas; Fred of Albion, Ia.; Tillie Freese of Plainview, Texas; Charles of Jefferson City, Mo. There are also living 34 grand children and 17 great grand children.

He retired from the farm and moved to Grinnell in September, 1904. He lived there until in the fall of 1911 when he moved to McAllen, Texas where he lived one and a half years and then he lived in San Deigo, Cal. about five years and since then he has made his home with his daughters in Grundy and Marshall Co. He was taken sick Christmas day with pneumonia and was taken to the Deaconess Hospital in Marshalltown where he passed away Dec. 30 at 6:30 P. M., aged 90 yrs., 3 months, and 1 day. His two sons George and Fred were with him during his last illness. His daughter Caroline and son John were unable to attend the funeral.

Grandfather Schafer lived a strictly honest, honorable, upright life in all of his dealings with his fellowmen. In regard to his relation to his Creator, he endeavored to obey the Word, he believed and was baptized, and among last sayings he stated that he was ready and wanted to go home to his heavenly Father, thus he prayed and thus he went.

Funeral services were held Jan. 5, 1928 at 1:00 P. M. in the Methodist Church in Malcom, Rev. Mr. Burdock conducting the services. The remains were laid at rest in the Ivy Hill Cemetery, Malcom, Ia.

The pall bearers were his four sons, George, Henry, Fred and Charles and two grandsons, Charlie Kitzman and Glenn Schafer.

The other relatives from a distance who attended the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. A. Cool, from Davenport, Ia.; Mr. Eimel Kitzman, and daughter Julia; Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kitzman; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kitzman, Mr. and Mrs. Middleton; and Mr. and Mrs. W. Helmick all from Beaman, Ia.