

An Obituary Notice Of Chas. E. Farmer

7-27-1934

Funeral services for Charles Edward Farmer, who died Tuesday in West Plains, Mo., were held Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Presbyterian church at Ewart. The Rev. R. G. Smith, pastor, had charge of the funeral services. Burial was in the Ewart cemetery.

The pallbearers were Millard Farmer, Harold Hull, Duverne Hull, T. J. Watson, Carl Fleming, and John Monsma. Mrs. C. L. Bralley, Mrs. J. Hamilton, Charles Gerard and Gus Wasson, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. R. G. Smith, sang favorite selections.

Following is the obituary:

Charles Edward Farmer, son of Mary L. and Lewis Farmer, was born on a farm in Pleasant township, Poweshiek county, Iowa, April 6, 1869. After an illness of three weeks he departed this life July 17, 1934, at West Plains, Mo., age 65 years, three months and 11 days.

The early part of his life was spent in the Ewart vicinity where he was engaged in farming and buying live stock. After leaving Ewart he was a salesman for the Spaulding Manufacturing Co. for about fifteen years, covering a territory in Texas, Oklahoma, and Canada. In 1914 he came back to Iowa and engaged in farming near Taintor for a few years, after which he and his brother-in-law, J. H. Palmer, purchased a farm near West Plains, Mo., which they continued to operate until Mr. Palmer's health failed. He then moved into West Plains and began buying live stock, continuing to do so until 1928. He then returned to Taintor, remaining there three years. The last three years he spent in the Brooklyn and Montezuma vicinities, returning to West Plains in February and again taking up his old trade of buying live stock.

He leaves to mourn his loss one brother, J. J. Farmer of Montezuma; several nieces and nephews and a host of friends. His father and mother and four sisters, Ida Finch, Myra Palmer, Clara Hull and Nellie Miller, preceded him in death.

At the time of his death he was a member of the K. P. lodge at West Plains.

Ed was always ready to give a helping hand, full of fun, was well liked and made friends wherever he went.