

OBITUARY

Henry Joseph Speth

Henry Joseph Speth was born Nov. 24, 1864 in Holstein, Germany. He was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran faith in Germany and came to Iowa at an early age with his brother. He attended country school, and was interested in farming. In 1889 he was united in marriage with Lena Schneekloth of

Malcom and to this union were born five children.

He lived practically all his adult life in Poweshiek county. He first was engaged in farming, and moved from Chester township to Grinnell in 1906.

For over 40 years he held the position of yard man for the D. R. Warburton Lumber Co., now the Richardson-Phelps Lumber Co., where he made many friends and enjoyed serving the public. In recent years and 28 days after his retirement, his many friends called on him, as he always held a great interest in their welfare.

He made his home at 717 Park Street with his son and daughter. He belonged to the 100F lodge at Malcom and was a 50 year member of the order.

He passed away at a local hospital on Feb. 22, 1953, at the age of 88 years, 2 months

He leaves to mourn his departure three sons, Burt, Edward and Carl, and one daughter, Irma, also one sister, Mrs. Emma Hanreich of Holstein, Germany, one granddaughter, Mrs. Norman Snider of Grinnell, and two great granddaughters.

His wife and one daughter Luella preceded him in death. Funeral services were conducted

ed Tuesday p.m. by the Rev. C. E. Kingsley at the Smith funeral home with burial in Hazelwood cemetery. Pallbearers were William Ziegenmeyer, Ellis Brown, Adam Mizner, Ed Jantzen, Cecil Myers and Thomas Godfrey.