

George Pioneer Dies Thursday; Services Mon.

U. Uden Came to George When There Was Only One House; Other News

GEORGE - Special to the Reporter. U.A. Uden, resident of George for the last 32 years, died at his home here last Thursday morning at 6:10, at the age of 84 years, 7 months. Mr. Uden had been in ill health the last two years, but his condition did not become serious until Friday morning, March 1.

Funeral services were held at the home and at the Evangelical Church Monday afternoon, with Rev C G Zeigler in charge. Interment was made at the Evergreen Lawn Cemetery. A mixed quartet consisting of Mrs. Ulfert Willemsen, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Sudenga and Jay Sudenga, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. John E. Smid, rendered several numbers at the church service. Casket bearers were Gus Staufucker, John Roth, George Dreesman, Harm Janssen, John Van Leh and Claude Seibring.

Ude A. Uden, son of Arde and Aaltje Uden, was born at Halte on the Enes river. Kreisweinel of East Friesland, Germany, July 14, 1855. The first 13 years of his life was spent in the land of his birth, where he attended public school. In 1886 he came with his parents to America, arriving in New York in August. Turning westward, they came to Illinois, settling at German Valley. After 16 years in Illinois, the family joined the train of emigrants into Iowa, settling in Lyon County, 6 1/2 miles southwest of George. At the time there were no railroads and no towns other than Sheldon and Boyden, no schools or churches, so that Mr. Uden can be truly called a pioneer. He saw the town of George grow from one house to what it is today.

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