

# Svante Kjeldgaard, 85

**Walnut** — Svante Kjeldgaard, son of the Christian Kjeldgaards, was born in Grenaa, Denmark on April 16, 1893. He came to this country at an early age. He married Alma Olhmann of Kimballton on Sept. 30, 1917. They lived in Avoca and Walnut area, where he farmed and did carpentry work. He served his country during WWI. They moved to Walnut in 1966, where they were members of the Peace United Church of Christ and he was a member of the American Legion. Mrs Kjeldgaard died on Jan. 11, 1978. Svante died at Clarkson hospital in Omaha on Monday, May 15, 1978 at age 85 years and 29 days.

He was preceded in death by his wife and nine brothers and sisters. Survivors include two sons - Herluf of El Dorado, Ark., Axel of Co. Bluffs, one daughter - Mrs LaVerne (Doris) Schaaf of Dexter, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren; three brothers, Carl of Co. Bluffs, Einer of Denmark and Otto of Denmark; a sister - Ellie of Denmark. Other relatives include Mrs Dixie Schirm of Walnut, Christine and Clara Kjeldgaard of Omaha, Nebr.

Funeral services were held at Peace United Church of Christ in Walnut Wednesday, May 17, 1978 with Rev Bruno Romanowski, officiating. Burial was in Graceland cemetery in Avoca with Donald Kjeldgaard, John L. Kjeldgaard, Junior Kejldgaard, Clyde Shirron, Duane Kjeldgaard, Robert Walling, Michael Key, Marc Maurrer and Howard Kjeldgaard, serving as casket-bearers.

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