

Niels Overgaard

KIMBALLTON — Niels Jensen Overgaard was born Jan. 27, 1905 in Dyngby Overgaard, Denmark, son of Peder and Petra Nielsen Jensen. He was baptised and confirmed in Odder Free church in Denmark. In 1920 he came to the U. S. with his uncle, T. G. Muller. He later returned to Denmark and then came back to this area in 1929. He worked on the farm of Ole Hansen and for other farmers, and also hauled coal for the Green Bay Lumber Co. On April 9, 1933 Niels married Nadjeschda Lyng in Immanuel Lutheran church in Kimballton. They farmed one mile west of Kimballton and then near Guthrie Center. Returning to Kimballton he worked for the Kaltoft Construction Co. Niels started working at the Roxy Clayworks, later became a partner with Holger Koch, and in 1946 bought the brickyard and moved to their present home. He operated the brickyard till 1956 and during this time also operated the Overgaard Dairy until he retired in 1970. Niels was an active and faithful member of Immanuel Lutheran church. In 1971 he became the custodian of the church. On Tuesday, Nov. 2, 1976 he died of a heart attack while helping at the farm of his son-in-law, Dale Petersen.

Niels was preceded in death by his parents; one sister, Esther Sorensen and three infant grandchildren. He is survived by his wife, Nadjeschda; six daughters and one son - Annette (Mrs Keith) Johnson of Audubon, Karma (Mrs Howard) Sorensen of Elk Horn, Ardis (Mrs Dale) Petersen of Exira, Elsa West of Aurora, Colo., Eva (Mrs Ed) Leistad of Atlantic, Ebba (Mrs Mac) Johnson of Omaha, Nebr., and Egon Overgaard of Northwood, 24 grandchildren and one great-grandchild; a sister, Magda Justsen of Aarhus, Denmark, one brother, Axel Overgaard of Dyngby, Denmark; one nephew, Jens Sorensen of Kimballton and nieces and nephews in Denmark.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, Nov. 9, 1976 in Immanuel Lutheran church in Kimballton with Pastor David L. Peterson, officiating. Burial was in Immanuel Lutheran cemetery in Kimballton with Walt Moeller, Glenn Lykke, Emil Vithen, Stanley Hansen, Lyle Christensen and Lawrence Rasmussen serving as casketbearers.