BROWN, William Ray
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Ray Brown of South of Maxwell Is Dead Today

Maxwell, Dec. 9—Ray Brown, 47, farmer of south of here died at the Iowa Lutheran hospital in Des Moines Monday afternoon at 5 o’clock. He had been taken ill on Saturday and hurried to the hospital where he submitted to an operation which he failed to survive.

He is survived by his wife, a son Duane of Collins, daughters Nadine, Maxine, Marvine and Vernadine and a son, Harold at home. He also leaves a sister, Mrs. Charles Hattery of near Collins.

Funeral services will be held at the Church of Christ in Collins Wednesday at 2 p.m., with Rev. Lloyd Patton in charge and burial will be in the Evergreen cemetery at Collins.

"His entire life was spent in the Collins community and until a few years ago, when he moved to the Peoria community. He was a quiet, unassuming man who made many friends and who sincerely join his family in mourning his death. As a kind husband and father and a good neighbor his life was a day well spent all who knew him anticipate reunion beyond the sunset."

Held Funeral Rites at Collins for Ray Brown

Collins, Dec. 15 — Funeral services for the late Ray Brown, who passed away at the Lutheran hospital in Des Moines Monday afternoon, Dec. 9, were held from the Collins Church of Christ Wednesday afternoon at 2 o’clock with the services in charge of Rev. Lloyd Patton of the local church, assisted by the Rev. Warrick, pastor of the Peoria church.

Music was furnished by a quartet composed of Mrs. K. W. Tomlinson, Mrs. Geo. Holmes, Rev. Arthur Marston and Milton Hale, who sang "In the Sweet Bye and Bye." "God's Tomorrow" was sung as a solo by Mr. Hale. The accompanist was Mrs. Hugh Fertig. Flowers were cared for by Mrs. Basil Caple and Mrs. Richard Partridge.

Pallbearers were Chas. Swalwell, Harper White, Joe Aldrich, Ray Evans, Dan Wilson and Austin Pitcher. Burial was in the Evergreen cemetery at Collins.

The following brief obituary was read at the services:

"William Ray Brown, son of David and Elva Brown, was born at Collins, Ia., Jan. 19, 1894, and departed this life at Des Moines on Dec. 8, 1941, at the age of 46 years, 10 months and 19 days.

"On Jan. 25, 1914, he was united in marriage to Rhoda Dodd and to this union seven children were born, six of whom, with the wife, survive. They are Duane of Collins, Nadine, Maxine, Marlene, Bernadine and Harold, all at home. He also leaves one sister, Mrs. Charles Hattery, and one brother Myrl Brown, both of Collins, and two grandchildren David and Darrell Brown."