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## Amos O. Conkin, longtime citizen passes Thursday November 19, 1959 State Center Enterprise

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon at one-thirty p.m. at the Wensel Funeral Home for Amos O. Conkin, 70, who died on Thursday evening at Mercy hospital where he had been a patient for a week, Mr. Conkin had been in declining health for the past four years.

The Rev. M.J. Haerther, pastor of Trinity Lutheran church officiated and burial was in Hillside cemetery.

Pallbearers were Henry Dobbin, Leonard Evers, Ralph Jay, Albert Smith, Clarence Meier and E. H. Oehlsen.

Mr. Conkin was born October 12, 1889 in Fall Branch, Tenn.; the son of Thomas and Sarah Mullinex Conkin. He was reared and educated in Fall Branch.

He was united in marriage to Mary Eckhardt on December 21, 1916 in State Center. They made their home on a farm near Clemons, except for eight years spent in Minnesota. In 1944 they moved into State Center.

He is survived by his widow, four sons, Rufus, Eugene and Duane of State Center and Floyd Conkin of Anaheim, Calif; and two daughters, Mrs. Alvin Edwards of State Center and Mrs. Charles Barnard Jr., of Marshalltown. Also surviving are two brothers, Clarence of Atlanta, Ga; and Earl of Hollandale. Minn; and one sister, Mrs. August Metge, Conrad; and 14 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by four sisters and a brother.