

# LOOKING BACK

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## **Will Niedert, pioneer resident, passes Sunday**

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Will H. Niedert, 87, well known and highly respected resident of the State Center community, passed away at his home Sunday evening, following an illness of several weeks duration. He had been in declining health the past year.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at one-thirty o'clock from the First United Presbyterian church with the Rev. Kenneth R. Pease officiating. Burial was in Hillside cemetery with the Brimhall-West Funeral Home in charge.

Pall Bearers were Arnold Papenberg, Glenn Weuve, Marvin Eggers, Glen Pfantz, Ben Overman and Dale Figgins. Flower bearers were Mrs. Lillian Dobbin Mrs. Lela Riemenschneider, Mrs. Emma Hilleman and Mrs. Laura Brown.

Mr. Niedert was born May 25, 1874 at Hinkley (sic-Hinckley), Ill., the son of Chris and Mary Pope Niedert.

He was united in marriage to Nora Vannoy on March 10, 1909. The couple celebrated their Golden Wedding anniversary here in 1959. For the past 45 years, Mr. and Mrs. Niedert have made their home on a farm one and a half miles west of State Center.

Mr. Niedert was a former member of the Modern Woodmen of America, the Knights of Pythias, and the State Center Community Club.

He is survived by his widow; tow daughters, Mrs. Leland Hartwig (Ina) and Mrs. W.V. Van Pelt (Mildred), all of State Center and five grandchildren. Also surviving are three brothers, Charles of Riceville; George of Nevada, and Glenn of Conestoga, S. Dak.

He was preceded in death by five brothers and four sisters.