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Raymond W. Pfantz January 7, 1987 State Center Enterprise

Services for Raymond W. Pfantz, 81, State Center, who died Thursday at Story County Hospital in Nevada following a heart attack, were held Monday at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in State Center, the Reverend R. D. Ehlers officiating. A memorial fund has been established. The Wensel-Perrin Funeral Home in State Center was in charge of arrangements.

He was born February 22, 1905, near State Center, the son of Henry and Emma Hilleman Pfantz. He received his education in the rural schools near State Center.

He was married to Grace Meservy March 25, 1925, and she died January 7, 1943. On June 8, 1944, he was married to Riovola Elliott. She preceded him in death, July 7, 1980.

Also preceding him in death were a daughter in infancy, two grandsons, three brothers and two sisters.Mr. Pfantz was engaged in farming until retiring in 1969.

He was a member of St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

Surviving children are Richard Pfantz, Colo; Pauline (Mrs. Leonard) Beck, Chicago: Robert Pfantz, State Center, and Carol (Mrs. Richard) Stowell, Mechanicsville, PA. Also surviving are a niece, Rebecca Gange, who was raised in the Pfantz home, 18 grandchildren, eight great grandchildren, a brother, Ralph Pfantz, and three sisters, Mrs. Angeline Wilkening, Mrs. Ida Mehlisch and Mrs. Gertrude Eubanks, all of State Center.