

Chester I. Bean, 67, Dies on Sunday, Services Wednesday

Chester I. Bean, 67, a resident of Custer county for over 45 years, died at his home south of Arnold, on Sunday, April 25, after an extended illness.

Funeral services were held from the Methodist church here on Wednesday, April 28, with Rev. E. N. Littrell officiating.

Mrs. Francis Hughes and Mrs. Ray Ricketts sang during the services accompanied by Mrs. Mynor Smith at the organ.

Pallbearers were Elmo Watson, Mason Watson, Wallace Watson, Bernard Dennis, Lawrence Sullivan and Harold Rosentrater.

Burial was in the Arnold cemetery.

Chester Isaac Bean was born on May 2, 1886 at Corydon, Indiana, and died at his home near Arnold on April 25, 1954 after an extended illness at the age of 67 years, 11 months and 23 days.

He came to Custer county, Nebraska when about 20 years of age and has made this his home ever since.

On May 31, 1909 he was united in marriage to Florence Dennis at North Platte. To this union, three sons and four daughters were born. A daughter, Lela died in infancy and a son, Lloyd gave his life for his country in World War II.

Mr. Bean engaged in farming and stock raising thruout his active life and was considered one of the successful business men in this field. He took an active part in community affairs and served for a number of years on the local school board and was a life long member of the Methodist church.

He is survived by his wife, Florence; two sons, Walter F. of Callaway, Nebraska and Francis A. of Arnold; three daughters: Mrs. Lorine Rutner of San Leander, Calif., Mrs. Marjorie Geiser of San Pedro, Calif., and Mrs. Elizabeth Cole and also Ronnie Bean of Arnold.

He is also survived by three sisters: Mrs. J. A. Watson of Stapleton, Nebr.; Mrs. Ed Beanblossom of Mauckport, Ind.; and Mrs. Newton Tingle of Bloomfield, Ky.; and one brother, Samuel Byerly of Corydon, Ind.; also nine grandchildren and a number of other relatives.