

J. F. Eitzen

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he attended the Moravian church, he was a member of the council, board of trustees and directed the church choir.

He maintained membership in the Mt. Lake, Comfrey and Butterfield Community clubs.

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OBITUARY - JACOB F. EITZEN

Services were held from Bethel Mennonite church Monday, Jan. 6 for Jacob F. Eitzen who passed away suddenly Friday, Jan. 3 at St. Joseph's hospital in Mankato. Officiating was the Rev. Harris Waltner, with interment in the Mt. Lake cemetery.

Surviving are his wife, Vivian; three sons and a daughter-in-law, Donald and Louise Eitzen, Fairmont; Allen and William, both of Mt. Lake; four granddaughters, Kathleen, Deborah, Cynthia and Lynn Ann; a brother, Henry, Shafter, Calif.; two sisters, Mrs. Henry D. (Margaret) Esau and Mrs. D. H. (Elizabeth) Fast, both of Mt. Lake; three sisters-in-law, Mrs. Herman Eitzen and Mrs. D. P. Eitzen, both of Mt. Lake, and Mrs. C. P. Eitzen, Shafter, Calif.

He was preceded in death by his parents, seven brothers and six sisters.

Mr. Eitzen was the son of Peter and Elizabeth Flaming Eitzen, born Apr. 28, 1895 in Odin township, Watonwan county. He attended public school and was a graduate with the class of 1917, and also attended Mankato Commercial college.

He was also a member of the American Legion, having served with the Army in 1917 during World War I.

On Dec. 2, 1933 he was married to Vivian Clark at Mankato. The couple resided in Waconia where he managed the Pioneer Telephone company having been employed with the firm in Mt. Lake since 1922 as a lineman and night operator and later as manager of the Mt. Lake North Star Telephone company.

He returned to Mt. Lake in 1943 to go into partnership with the late L. M. Jungas and the late J. J. Epp, in ownership of the North Star Telephone, and in 1959 purchased the interest of his partners.

He sold his interest in the firm to Universal Telephone company of Milwaukee, Wisc. in 1970, who, in turn, sold to Continental Telephone company in 1972. Mr. Eitzen remained as manager of the Mt. Lake branches until his retirement in 1973.

Special music at the services was provided by the men's chorus, of which he had been a member for many years, and Mrs. Willard Friesen was the organist.

Casket bearers were Jerald Beckman, Reginald Hawes, Aldon Stoesz, Arlo Esau, Lee Eitzen and John E. Jantzen.