

Neuenschwander

Peter M., son of the late Christian and Katherina Neukom Neuenschwander, was born in Canton Bern, Switzerland, Sept. 15. 1854; died at his home in Berne, Ind., Dec. 21, 1945; aged 91 y. 3 m. 6 d. In youth he accepted Christ as his Saviour and was received into the Mennonite Church in Switzerland. At the age of seventeen he was ordained to the ministry and in May, 1883, to the office of bishop. In the spring of 1876, he with his parents and brothers and sisters came to America and settled near Orrville, Ohio. In the fall of the same year he moved to Berne, Ind. On Nov. 9, 1882, he was united in marriage to Katherina Nussbaum, who preceded him in death March 2, 1900. To this union six sons and five daughters were born. Surviving are 6 children (Elizabeth, Abraham, Anna with whom he made his home, David, Mariann Mrs. John P. Richer, and Christian, all of near Berne), 28 grandchildren, and 20 great-grandchildren. Two sons and two daughters died in infancy and the oldest son (Jacob) in 1940. All of his brothers and sisters also preceded him. Funeral services were held at the home Dec. 24, in Louis Amstutz and Jacob Neuenschwander. Texts, Ps. 90:1-10; Zech. 14:7. Burial was made in the Neuenschwander Cemetery, northwest of Berne.

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