

(Handwritten date: Sept. 15, 1951)

Valentine Becker was born on April 7, 1872 near Lauterbauch, Germany. In 1889 he came to America, and after working several years near Gridley, Ill., moved to Woodburn, Indiana, where he resided until his death.

In 1892 he married Kathrine Rediger. To this union were born six children. He was preceded in death by his wife, and three children: Levi, George and Elizabeth, who died in infancy, and Dr. Eli George Becker of Convoy, Ohio, who died May 19, 1951. In 1937 he married Frieda Walke.

He leaves to mourn his wife, Mrs. Frieda Becker; two children, Mrs. Anna Steiner of Fort Wayne, Indiana and Alton J. Becker of Woodburn; a daughter-in-law, Mrs. Frances Becker, of Convoy, Ohio; two grandchildren, Rev. Royal Steiner of Colesburg, Iowa, and Miss Diane Becker of Convoy, Ohio; two great-grandchildren; two brothers, Henry G. Becker of Woodburn and John Becker of Pekin, Illinois; also nieces, nephews and a host of friends and relatives.

Mr. Becker has been in poor health for the past several years. On Monday evening, August 13, he was stricken and lapsed into a coma from which he never awakened.

He was a member of the Woodburn Evangelical Mennonite Church.

Funeral services were conducted on Friday afternoon, August 17, at the (Cut off)

(Karin King note: buried at Woodburn Mennonite Cemetery, Woodburn, Allen County, Indiana)

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Mrs. Christian Biberstein was born near Berne, Indiana, July 3, 1923. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Liechty. Mrs. Biberstein had been failing in health since October 1949, being confined to her bed most of the time.

In recent weeks her condition grew critical, and she was taken to the Kaylor Clinic at Bluffton, where she passed away peacefully to be at rest with the Lord on Jan. 20, 1951.

Her marriage to Christian Biberstein took place on August 24, 1944. Two children were born to this union - Adrin Lee and Colene Jane. Mrs. Biberstein graduated from Monroe High School. She was converted to Christ in her early youth, was graduated and joined the Berne Mennonite Church. After their marriage both transferred their membership to the Evangelical Mennonite Church, of which she remained faithful until her death.

She is survived by her loving husband, two children, her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Liechty, three sisters - Mrs. Raymond Sprunger, Frieda and Henrietta, two brothers - Chris and Harry.

She was patient during her illness and (cut off)

(Karin King note: Florence (Liechty) Biberstine is buried at Evangelical Mennonite Church Cemetery in Berne, Indiana)