

*Adams County Historical Museum*

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DAVID S. HABEGGER, AGED 38, CLAIMED BY DEATH WED.

Final Rites For Pipe Line Walker Are Here Saturday P.M.

David S. Habegger, 38, prominent young man of four miles north and one and one-half miles west of Berne, who has been employed as a line walker for the Illinois Pipe Line Co., passed away at the Adams County Memorial hospital in Decatur at 8 o'clock Wednesday evening.

Mr. Habegger had been in (cut off)

...operation. X-rays revealed a serious condition and very little hope was held for his recovery. However he had made some improvement for a time, according to physicians and hospital attaches. Death was attributed to carcinoma of the bowels.

The decedent was a member of the Mennonite church here and was a life-long resident of the county. He was born in Monroe township May 25, 1902, the son of Samuel and Anna Mazelin Habegger.

His marriage to Barbara Amstutz was an event of November 16, 1923, the vows being exchanged at Decatur. Four children were born to the union, who survive with the grieving young mother. They are Glen Arthur, 15, Merlin Dale, 12, and Anna Jane, 9, and Donna May, age 3.

Brothers and sisters surviving are: Jacob S., of near Monroe, Menno S., of near Berne, and Samuel S. of near Monroe. A half-brother, Elmer Inniger, also survives.

Preceding were his twin sister, who died in infancy, and another sister, Elizabeth.

The body was removed to the home from the Yager funeral parlors and the final rites will be conducted at the home Saturday afternoon, 1:30 (CDT) and at 2:00 o'clock at the Mennonite church. Dr. C. H. Suckau, pastor of the church, will officiate. Burial will be in the M.R.E. cemetery west of town.