

**Dick Ruedebusch**

Dick Ruedebusch, son of Herman and Katherine Ruedebusch, was born January 1, 1866 at Oldenburgh, Germany, and died at the home of his step-daughter, Mrs. Anna Leiferman of Aurora, on Friday afternoon May 20, at the age of 83.

He came to America at the age of 17 in the Fulda, the fastest ship at that time, requiring 11 days to make the voyage. From New York he came to Scribner, Nebr., making his home with his cousin, George.

On April 16, 1888, he was married to Kathryn Heerman Ruedebusch, a widow of his cousin, George, at West Point, Nebr. To this union were born six sons.

In 1902 the family moved to Sioux City, Iowa. They came to Brookings county in 1906 and have since lived there with the exception of a few years in Roberts county, and were engaged in farming until the spring of 1937 when they moved to their home in Aurora.

On April 16, 1938, Mr. and Mrs. Ruedebusch observed their golden wedding anniversary.

Mrs. Ruedebusch preceded her husband in death on October 30, 1945, and she has been greatly missed by her husband and children. Since her death Mr. Ruedebusch had made his home with his step-daughter, Mrs. Leiferman. He had been in poor health the past two years. Early in life he was confirmed in the Lutheran faith and was a lifelong member of the Lutheran church.

Funeral services were held at the Lutheran church of Aurora, Tuesday, May 24, with the Rev. W. Lindhoff of Elkton officiating. Pallbearers were the six sons. Interment was made in Greenwood cemetery.

The deceased is survived by a step-daughter, Mrs. Leiferman; a step-son, Henry Ruedebusch of Vermillion; and six sons, Herman of Aurora; George of Bruce; Dick of Summit; William of Aurora; John of Elkton; and Leo of Ortle; also 26 grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren.