

FENNIG

Berne, July 2 – John F. Fennig, 83, died yesterday morning at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Louis Sielschott, east of Geneva, following a short illness. Surviving are three sons, Charles of Elkhart, Homer of near Bryant and Raymond of Dayton, O.; three daughters, Mrs. Bertha Willey of Noble Township, Mrs. Flossie Journey of southeast of Portland and Mrs. Sielschott; one brother, James of Wabash, O.; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock (CST) at the Bryant Lutheran Church and burial will be in the Gravel Hill Cemetery.

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JOHN F. FENNIG (cut off)
...Father of Geneva Woman is Wednesday

John F. Fennig, 83, died this morning at 10:15 o'clock, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Louis Feidl Schott, east of Geneva. Death was caused by complications following an injury of his left hip on June 26.

He was a son of George and Barbara Bastian Fennig, both natives of Germany, and was a life long resident of Jay Co. He was born August 14, 1856, in Wabash township, Jay Co.

On February 22, 1880, he was united in marriage to Eunice Bock, who died March 22, 1939. They were married by Rev. Philip Hocker, pioneer Lutheran pastor of Jay county, who also baptized Mr. Fennig into the Lutheran church.

Children living are Charles of Elkhart; Bertha, wife of Mose? Willey of Noble township; Homer C., southeast of Bryan, ?; Flossie, wife of Raymond Journay, southeast of Portland; Walter of Dayton, Ohio; and Eunice, wife of Louis F. Schott, east of Geneva. There are fourteen grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren surviving. One brother, James of Wabash, Ohio, is living. Four brothers and 4 sisters preceded him in death.

The body was taken to the Metzner Funeral Home at Bryant and will be held there until Tuesday afternoon, when the body will be taken to the home of Homer C. Fennig. The funeral will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2:00 C.S.T. at the Bryant Lutheran Church, of which he was a member. Rev. Herbert Neve will officiate. Burial will be at the Gravel Hill cemetery.

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