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Joseph Link

On Thursday morning, September 12th, the death of Joseph Link occurred at the home of his niece, Miss Lena von Rueden, with whom he had made his home during the summer and fall months for a number of years.

Joseph Link was born July 17th, 1864, in Ottawa Township, the son of Lawrence and Gertrude Link, pioneer settlers of that community. He was married to Katherine Kunz of Delafield in 1888, their marriage being the first to be performed in the present St. Bruno's church. She preceded him in death in 1895.

Surviving him are a son, George, of Oak Park, Illinois, and two daughters, Mrs. Clara Kingman of Eugene, Oregon, and Mrs. Anna Lawrence of Chicago, a brother, Anton, of Los Angeles, and eleven grandchildren.

The funeral was held from St. Theresa's church Saturday morning, September 14th, and burial took place in the family lot in St. Bruno's cemetery. Pallbearers were four grandsons, George and Robert Link and Robert and William Lawrence, and two grandnephews, Anthony Agathen and Lawrence Wittig.

Mr. Link was a kind and sympathetic neighbor and a friend to all who knew him. His serene and detached disposition, one of his outstanding characteristics, evidenced a faith and confidence in values that were more than mundane, while his delight in the simple daily tasks he always managed to find for himself, and which he fulfilled up to the day of his last illness, bespoke his active physical nature and his belief in the dignity of all labor. He will be missed by all who had the pleasure of his acquaintance, but especially by his wide circle of relatives, who always looked forward to meeting him at family gatherings and listening to him relate bits of family history and anecdotes. At the time of his death he was the oldest surviving member of the second generation of the Lawrence Link family.