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Viertel

In Failing Health 2 Years

John Viertel, well known retired farmer, died at his home five miles east of Boonville, at seven o'clock Saturday evening, having been confined to his bed three weeks following a stroke of paralysis. However, he had been in failing health two years.

Funeral services were held at the home of Jesse Viertel Monday afternoon at 2:30, conducted by Rev. F. Stoerker, pastor of the Boonville Evangelical Church. Burial took place in Walnut Grove cemetery. Pallbearers were Fred Honerbrink, H. F. Kraft, James Hickam, Henry Efinger, Joseph Gillman and Henry Rapp.

Mr. Viertel was born in Baltimore, Md., October 28, 1851, the son of John and Marie (Schnuck) Viertel, being at the time of his death 76 years and 26 days old. He was the oldest of seven children. In 1869 he came with his parents to Missouri, and in 1881 purchased the farm of 254 acres, considered one of the best in Cooper county, where he resided the remainder of his life, being engaged in farming and stock raising.

On November 20, 1884, he married Miss Elizabeth Langford, and to this union were born two sons, Charles Henry, who died at the age of five years, and Jesse P., who lives on the farm where he had been engaged with his father. Besides his son he leaves two brothers, George and William Viertel, of Boonville, and two grandchildren. Dorris May and Jesse Paul, Jr.

Mr. Viertel was a man of splendid character, highly esteemed by all who knew him.

Smith

Elmer R. Smith Dies After Long Illness

Boonville Pharmacist Passed Away Wednesday Morning .- He was Born May 28, 1880

Elmer R. Smith, of Boonville, who had been in failing health for two years and bedfast for two weeks, died at his home on Locust Street Wednesday morning, the exact time of his death not being known as he was found dead in bed by Mrs. Smith some time after she arose Wednesday morning.

Arrangements for funeral services had not been made at the time The Advertiser went to press. Burial will be in Walnut Grove cemetery.

Mr. Smith was a son of Raymond and Elizabeth Smith and was born in Boonville May 28. 1880. He and Miss Clara Varney, of Boonville, were married April 19, 1900. No children were born to the union and Mr. is survived by the widow, his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Smith, and one sister, Miss Bernice Smith, of Boonville.

Mr. Smith was a registered pharmacist and held responsible positions in numerous Missouri towns. He was a man of pleasing personality and good impulses.

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