

GLENDENING, WILLIS RICHARD

December 6, 1854-April 13, 1917

Willis George (?) Glendening was born in Harrison County, Missouri, on December 6, 1854; departed this life on April 13th, 1917, aged 62 years, 4 months and 7 days. In 1875, being the twenty-first year of his life, Mr. Glendening was married for the first time. To this union three children were born. In the year 1880 he was married the second time, to Miss Belle Gentry. To their union eleven children were born, 8 of whom survive him.

The deceased was a farmer. He believed that the honestly earned dollar could always be produced from labor spent in co-operation with nature in her more elementary laws. Removing from a rural home near Plainville, Kansas, he brought his family to Platte county, Wyoming, sixteen years ago, where he has since resided.

Mr. Glendening was of a sunny disposition throughout this life. Even in his last illness this trait remained to him to brighten the tedious hours of suffering. Once he possessed a splendid voice for singing and taught one of the old time singing schools. It was during this period of his life, in his nineteenth year, that he united with the Christian church in the state of his birth. The last year and a half of his moral existence was a continuation of suffering. Practically during the past five months the acute stages of the fatal malady that wrested life from him were all that could be born with fortitude which he tried to show.

Besides the friends and neighbors whose kindly ministering during his illness was all that human hands could offer. There remain to mourn his loss, his widow, Mrs. Belle Glendening, his children, eleven in all, and four brothers and four sisters.

The children are:

Mrs. Rosa Gilbert, Plainville, Kan.

Charles Westley Glendening, National City, Calif.

George W. Glendening, Plainville, Kan.

Mrs. Addie Near, Dela, Colo.

Mrs. Anna Darland, Boulder, Colo.

Harvey Willis Glendening, Seattle, Wash.

Mrs. Pearl Greenlee, Slater, Wyo.

Mrs. Ida Lockmiller, Holl, Colo.

Mrs. Bernice Walker, Douglas, Wyo.

Arthur, Frank and Joseph Gentry, who reside with their mother near

Wheatland.

The sisters of the deceased are:

Mrs. Louise Pilcher and Mrs. Mary Humes of Arkansas

Mrs. Laura Dice and Mrs. Lillian Dice of Kansas.

His brothers are:

Charles, Frank, John and Edwin G., all of Kansas.