

[obit, **Philip Rockenbach**, 1921]

Philip Rockenbach was born March 9, 1834, Gerstheim, Alsace, and died Monday, January 10, 1921, at the age of 86 years and 10 months. He moved to Lake county with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Rockenbach in 1841, when only seven years old. He resided in Vernon Township until twelve years ago. On December 8, 1858, he was married to Miss Mary Schmidt of Northfield. She was a sister of Mrs. Jacob Wolf of Wheeling. To this union five children were born - Mrs. George Stanger of Deerfield, Mrs. Edwin Plagge of Rogers Park, Albert Rockenbach of Wheeling, Mrs. Julia Wessling, who died several years ago at Grand Junction, Iowa, and William, who died when seven years of age.

Mrs. Rockenbach died December 18, 1908, just three months after their removal from their farm to the George Stanger home.

He is survived by three children fourteen grandchildren, eleven great grandchildren, two brothers - Fred Rockenbach of St. Paul, Minn., and George Rockenbach of Deerfield, one sister, Salome R. Meyer, who died several years ago.

Funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon at the George Stanger home, where Mr. Rockenbach has lived for the past twelve years. Rev. Barth of Norwood Park, an old friend of the family, officiated. He was laid to rest in the Northfield cemetery.