

[Brookman, Clarence H.]

CLARENCE BROOKMAN, 60-YR. FT. PLAIN MASON, DIES AT 89

FORT PLAIN—Clarence H. Brookman, 89, a lifelong resident of the Brookman Corner section of the Town of Minden, died Wednesday evening at Amsterdam Memorial Hospital, where he had been a patient for 10 days.

He was born on Nov. 30, 1887, at the Brookman homestead, the son of John H. and Catherine Smith Brookman. He had always been engaged in farming.

His wife, the former Florence Zoller, to whom he was married in July 1902, died in July 1960.

Mr. Brookman was a 60-year member of the Fort Plain Lodge 433, F&AM; Hiram Union Chapter, Royal Arch Masons, Canajoharie; a member of Otsquago Grange and a past district deputy of Montgomery County Pomona Grange; a past president and director of the Montgomery County Agricultural Assn.; a director of the Farmers' Insurance Co., Town of Minden; and had been an active member of the Town of Minden Democratic committee, serving as an honorary committeeman at the time of his death.

He attended the Universalist Church of the Messiah in Fort Plain.

Survivors include a son, Richard Brookman, Fort Plain RD; two daughters, Mrs. Ralph Pollock of Amsterdam, and Mrs. Leon Hopkinson, Richfield Springs; a sister, Mrs. Howard Zoller, Fort Plain RD; one grandson, one niece and a nephew.

Services will be held 2 p.m. Saturday at the Swartz Funeral Home in Fort Plain, with the Rev. Raymond Scott, pastor of the Universalist Church, officiating. Burial will be made in the Fort Plain Cemetery.

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