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Funeral of Lee Land at Smith's Chapel

Services for Saline County Farmer Attended by Large
Assembly of Friends.

The funeral of Lee Land was held Wed. morning at 10:30 o'clock at the Smith Chapel Methodist church, and was attended by a large number of relatives and friends.

The service was conducted by the Rev. T. A. Huffine of Kansas, a former pastor, assisted by the Rev. T. B. Harris, who read the scripture and offered prayer.

A quartet composed of Charles Spriggs, Lester Tichenor, L. T. Stouffer and June Baker sang, "Beautiful Isle of Somewhere," "Shadows" and "God Be With You Til We Meet Again."

The friends serving as pallbearers were O. J. Laxon, W. B. Owsley, Tom Hickman, C. B. Davis, J. H. Morris and Walter Miller.

Mr. Land, a well known and respected farmer, died Monday evening at his home one mile north of Nelson after a week's illness. He was born January 13, 1871, a son of S. J. and Margaret Land.

Mr. Land first married Deborah Witcher July 24, 1893. Two children were born to this union, Delta, who died February 19, 1920, and Mrs. Roy Brayman who lives near Marshall. On November 16, 1914, he was married to Rinda Land. One son, Kenneth, of the home survives. Two step-children, Ray Land and Mrs. Claude Laxson of Marshall survive, whom he loved as his own.

Surviving him are one sister, Mrs. Addie Brinkman of St. Louis, Missouri; three brothers, Perry Land and J. R. Land of the county; George Land of Caplinger Mill, Missouri, and five grandchildren.

Mr. Land has been a member of Smith Chapel Church for the past twenty years. He spent his entire life in Saline County, twenty-five years of which were spent on the J. R. Napton farm near Shelby.

He was a devoted husband and father. A kind neighbor and made friends of all he met. His life has been an inspiration to all who knew him.

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