Mrs. Sophia Benhart

Mrs. Sophia Benhart (Nee Kruse), 80 years old, a resident of the Cook and DuPage County rural community for more than 60 years, died yesterday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Anna Tedrahn of Cloverdale, where she had resided for seven years. Mrs. Benhart, a widow of George Benhart, was born in Hanover, Germany, on April 15, 1857, and came to America with her parents, when she was 16 years old. The family settled near Elk Grove, in Cook County. On Sept 11, 1874, Mr. and Mrs. Benhart were married, and for many years, made their home on farms in the Roselle region. Since Mr. Benhart’s death in 1926, Mrs. Benhart has resided in Roselle and at Cloverdale. Nine of thirteen children born to the couple survive. They are Henry Benhart of Itasca, Mrs. Emma Weise of Arlington Heights, George and Fred Benhart of Elgin, Mrs. Minnie Speckmann of Itasca, Emil Benhart of Roselle, Mrs. Anna Tedrahn of Cloverdale, Miss. Minnie Glaue, and Mrs. Malinda Richter. There are 2 brothers, William Kruse of Fairmont, Minn., and Henry Kruse of Chicago; a sister Mrs. Henry Theisse of Ceylon, Minn., 38 grandchildren, and 23 great-grandchildren. The four children who preceded their mother in death were William, Mary, Bertha and Louis Benhart. The funeral service will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 from Trinity Lutheran Church in Roselle, of which Mrs. Benhart was a member. The Rev. W.H. Mehlberg will officiate. Burial will be at Roselle.