

Son - Charles Edward Preceded her in Death
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Mrs. Lybecker, Pioneer, Dies

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Mrs. Charles Oscar Lybecker, 91, a true Washington pioneer and a long-time Pullman resident, was laid to rest at City cemetery Wednesday afternoon following services from the Presbyterian church.

She had come to Washington when it was still a territory in 1885 and had continued to make it her home until two years ago.

Mrs. Lybecker died Saturday in Portland at the home of a daughter, Mrs. Myron Bostwick, with whom she had resided since leaving here two years ago. She previously had lived in Pullman for 30 years.

The services were conducted by the Rev. W. O. Chisholm. Music was by Mrs. Raymond Muse, organist and Mrs. Otho West, soloist. Serving as pall bearers were Axel Melander, Ivan Trull, C. F. Anderson, Lonnie Dunn, Isum Williams and Oran Turner. The Kimball Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Lybecker was born Ella Levina Russell on June 12, 1861 at Sutter City, Calif. There she spent her girlhood and there, in June of 1882, she was united in marriage to Mr. Lybecker.

Three years later the couple came to Harrington, Wash., where they farmed until Mr. Lybecker's retirement in 1922. At that time they moved to Pullman where Mr. Lybecker died in 1928.

Surviving are eight sons and daughters, Mrs. Bostwick of Portland, Mrs. A. E. Olson, Albuquerque, N. M.; Mrs. Maynard Brim, Longview, Wash.; Mrs. A. E. Mosier, Boise, Idaho; James A. Lybecker of Colbert, Wash.; Chester L. of Walla Walla, Dewey of Gig Harbor, and Gus Lybecker of Pomeroy. All were here for the services with the exception of Mrs. Olson and Mrs. Brim.

Also here for the services were two sisters and a brother, Mrs. Earl Lathrop, Portland, Mrs. Carl Lentz, Willamina, Ore., and Arch Russell, Eugene, Ore.

Among other survivors are two additional brothers and a sister, Rufus Russell of Albany, Ore.; Homer Russell, Portland, and Mrs. William Lentz, LaGrande, Ore.; nineteen grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. Several of the grandchildren live in Pullman including Forrest Olson, Louis Lybecker and Mrs. Donald Bushaw.

Mrs. Lybecker was a long-time member of the Presbyterian church.