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## Memorial Obituary

Entered Into Eternal Rest  
Friday, Dec. 13, 1963

### Gerhardt Renken Died December 13

Gerhardt Renken, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Renken, was born December 1, 1890 in Oldenburg, Germany. As an infant he was received into the Christian faith in Holy Baptism in the Ev. Lutheran Church. Later as a youth he confirmed that faith in the Rite of Confirmation in the same church.

As a young man of 21 he left his native Germany, coming to the U. S., specifically to Nebraska. Here he engaged in farming.

On February 12, 1919, he married Wilhelmina Luebke, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Luebke of Palmer. After marriage the Renkens farmed in the general vicinity of Palmer and Grand Island. In 1955, they retired and moved to Tacoma, Washington. They became members of Good Shepherd Lutheran Church.

In August, 1962, Mr. Renken became a resident of Bellevue Nursing Home in Tacoma. He became critically ill on December 7, 1963, and was moved to a hospital where at 3:30 Friday, the 13th, he passed away. He had attained the age of 73 years, 12 days. Survivors are 3 daughters: Loraine Seim of Grand Island, Norma Jean Scheer and Bernice Porter of Tacoma, Wash., 3 sons: Victor of Tacoma, Ronald and Elton of Ephrata, Wash., and 21 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife and one grandchild.

Funeral services were conducted on December 16 at 1 p.m. in Good Shepherd Lutheran church in Tacoma by the Rev. D. C. Schroeder. Burial was made at Mountain View cemetery in Tacoma.