

Ezra Erastus Walker

Blanding, San Juan County (Utah)—Funeral services for Ezra E. (“Dick”) Walker, 66, who died last Friday at his home in Blanding following a lingering illness, were conducted in Blanding Ward Chapel, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, by Ervin Palmer, bishop.

Burial was in Blanding Cemetery.

He was born Sept. 27, 1885, at Taylor, Arizona, the son of William Albert and Lottie Brimhall Walker. He moved with his family to Fruitland, New Mexico, on the San Juan River, about 1896, and lived there until about 1907, when the family moved to Redmesa, Colorado.

About 1905, Mr. Walker went to Mexico, where he attended Juarez Stake Academy for a year.

On December 21, 1912, he was married to Alice M. Pinkerton, and four children were born to that union. In 1934 his family moved to Naturita, Colorado. It was while he was living there, on January 15, 1939, that he married Sarah Gillespie, and to that union one child was born.

The family arrived in Blanding May 24, 1942. Since that time Mr. Walker engaged in painting and mining. During the years he lived at Redmesa, he was active in the Mutual Improvement Association.

He is survived by his widow; three sons, Troy and Dickie Walker, Blanding, and Edwin, Naturita, Colorado; one daughter, Joy Brown, Los Vegas, New Mexico; two step-children, Mildred Hensley, Crestine, O., and Bud Brakey, Grand Junction, Colorado; and the following brothers and sisters: Estella Call, Josephine Taylor, Ethel Smith, and Nellie Rostrum, Seattle, Washington; Ruth Lerwill, Billings, Montana; Lavina McMillan, Los Angeles, California; Mae Bond, Salt Lake City; Carl Walker, Redmesa, Colorado, and Jesse Walker, Blanding.