

Final Rites Held Tuesday for W. W. Leitner at Bethel

William Walker Leitner, 62, of Fairfield county's Bethel community, died Monday evening at the Veterans Hospital in Columbia. He had been in declining health for many months. 1961

The son of the late William J. and Mary Sue Lever Leitner, he was born in Fairfield and had lived virtually his entire life here. Mr. Leitner was a retired farmer and merchant, a steward of the Bethel Methodist Church, a life member of the American Bible Society and of the Woodmen of the World. Also, he was a member of the Men's Bible Class and a teacher of the Adult Sunday School Class. He attended Clemson College.

Survivors include his wife, Mrs. Irene Lewis Leitner, and one daughter, Miss Elizabeth Leitner, both of the home; one son, Paul R. Leitner of Chattanooga, Tenn.; five sisters, Mrs. John Hendricks of Greenville, Mrs. James Watson of Union and Mrs. Leon Mann, Mrs. Ben F. Hornsby and Mrs. Paul House, all of Wigginsboro. Five grandchildren and a number of nieces and nephews also survive.

Funeral services, conducted by the Rev. Samuel Coker, pastor, were held Tuesday afternoon from the Bethel Methodist Church, and interment was in the church cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Paul House, H. J. Leitner, Frank Lewis, Senator Ben F. Hornsby, Charlie Shirley, and Jimmy Joyner. The honorary escort was composed of E. B. Lewis, J. M. Lyles, J. M. Lyles, Jr., Henry E. Johnson, R. H. Lemmon, Dr. J. D. Turner, John A. Martin, Doctors Birch and McCoy, and the Board of Stewards of the Bethel Methodist Church.