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Bernard Heckman

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Death: Mar. 5, 1931
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Auglaize County
Ohio, USA

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- Name: Bernard Heckman
- Birth Date: 8 Mar 1857
- Death Date: 5 Mar 1931
- Age at Death: 73
- Death Place: Minster, Ohio
- Spouse: Clara Schafer
- Marriage Date: 18 Oct 1882
- Parents: Clem
- Newspaper: *Minster Community Post*, Minster, Ohio
- Newspaper Date: 13 Mar 1931

- Family links:
- Parents:
Johann Clemens Heckmann (1830 - 1885)
Bernadina Schillmoeller Heckman (1839 - 1880)
- Spouse:
Clara R. Schafer Heckman (1859 - 1945)*
- Children:
Louis Clemens Heckman (1883 - 1967)*
Charles B Heckman (1886 - 1972)*
Harry B Heckman (1890 - 1967)*
August A. Heckman (1892 - 1978)*

*[Calculated relationship](#)

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BERNARD HECKMAN

Mr. Bernard Heckman died at his home on north Main street in Minster last Thursday afternoon, very soon after this newspaper had announced to its readers that such a communication was near at hand. For several days he lingered at the brink of the river that made the border of the mystic land and those who watched for any evidence of change in his condition felt that the day of separation was fast approaching. Finally as the curtain of night was about to be drawn the spirit took its flight.

In the time of his active life Mr. Heckman went about his daily plans in a quiet and unpretentious way and when the time came for him to make the "greatest adventure of all" these characteristics maintained to their highest degree. With the knowledge that he had lived peacefully among his fellow men, and with the hope that those the christian man or woman at the supreme moment, he stepped joyously into the valley of shadows, while a host of relatives and friends mourned the separation.

Mr. Heckman was born of Minster parents and he lived through the various periods of his life among the people of this city and vicinity. His father was Clem Heckman, who came to this country when a young person and became attached to the affairs here during an early age. He was born in Aldenburg, Germany, but spent only a very small portion of his life in that land. His mother was Bernadine Schillmoeller who was a native of the American country. They have both been dead for many years, but they are remembered by some of the more elderly persons of the present generation.

The subject of this narrative was born soon after his parents located in Minster. While he was advancing to young manhood he accepted all of the provisions for religious and secular training that were provided and stood ready to assume some reasonable responsibility when he was mature. He was possessed of amiable and his comprehensive mind enabled him that he must be an actor in the great community drama and he felt no inclination to shirk.

Mr. Heckman's birth occurred on March 8, 1857, and he was married to Clara Schafer on October 18, 1882. Coupled with these important events in his life were the births of four sons, who grew to manhood in the home in Minster and who are now living in this city. They are, Louis, Charles and August Heckman who are connected with The Minster Machine company's business and Harry Heckman who is interested in the Fast Printing company's business. With their venerable mother they mourn at the tomb of a devoted husband and father.

For a number of years ago Heckman operated as a carpenter among the people of this locality and there are specimens of his handiwork to be observed at many sites throughout the territory. He served as an typewriter under Mr. Herman Schlichty who was a builder here during an earlier period. He carried on his trade under diverse relationships until a later day when he engaged himself to The Rabe Lumber company with headquarters at New Bremen. He worked for this company over a period of fifteen years.

Mr. Heckman was a familiar character in this city over a span of 73 years, 11 months and 25 days and many people will feel a sense of loneliness upon his passing. He served them in his capacity as a machanic and builder and at one time was a member of the Minster village council. Personally he was a likable character and his few qualities as a tolerant and charitable man will be remembered by his many friends always. Any offense given to him would be readily condoned while he would rather suffer than to offer one himself.

Besides his wife and sons he is survived by the following sisters and brothers: Mrs. Carrie Bruchter, Mrs. Josephine Boring and Mrs. Ben Langers at Minster, Mrs. Henry Burgess at Dayton; Mr. Clem Heckman at Cincinnati; Mr. John Heckman at Depue. There are also nine grand children.

Mr. Heckman was a member of the St. Augustine church and he was also identified with the St. Bonifacio Benevolent and the Holy Name societies. The funeral was held on Monday morning at the local church conducted by Rev. Louis Posthoefter.

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