

# Final Rites Held For Joe Q. Miller

A former Lennox businessman and near lifelong resident of this community, Joe Q. Miller, passed away suddenly at 12:30 last Friday morning, April 29, in West Valley hospital at Encino, Calif. Following the evening meal Thursday at their home, Thousand Oaks, Calif., Mr. Miller was



assisting his wife with the dishes about 8 p.m. when he complained of not feeling well and became very weak and ill. Mrs. Miller sensed the seriousness of his condition and immediately summoned a doctor and an ambulance. He was hospitalized and passed into that eternal rest a few hours later, attaining the age of 69 years, two months and 21 days.

Funeral services were held at Thousand Oaks on Monday morning and the remains shipped here by plane, accompanied by Mrs. Miller and her sister, Mrs. Art Kavolosky.

A large concourse of relatives and friends attended the final rites held Wednesday afternoon in First English Lutheran church, with Pastor Gilbert Singer officiating. Mrs. Skie was organist and Jack Steever was soloist. Pallbearers were A. M. Wilson, Lloyd Dalziel, W. F. Simon,

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**JOE Q. MILLER**

Donald VanBockern, Joe D. Miller and Daryl Knowlton. Interment was in Lennox cemetery.

Born in Lennox on February 8, 1897, son of Mr. and Mrs. Al J. Miller, he was reared here and attended the local grade and high school, graduating with the class of 1915. He was a graduate of the Babcock Institute of Pharmacy and Chemistry at Des Moines, Iowa in 1916. On June 12, 1916 he enlisted in the Army and during World War I served in France, returning home in May, 1919. For a short time he was employed as pharmacist in a drug store at Tripp and then returning here became associated with his brother, Al, in the Miller Drug Store. In 1923 he became



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owner of the drug store at Hurley which he operated until 1929.

On November 28, 1923 he was married here to Adeline Reiners and the couple took up their residence at Hurley where they lived for six years. Taking up their residence in Lennox in 1929, he was employed in his brother's drug store for the next six years. From 1936 to 1939 the couple lived at Santa Monica, Calif., where both were employed. Upon returning to Lennox in December, 1939, they entered the grocery business—Market Basket—which they operated until 1951. Mr. Miller again continued at the drug store until 1961 when the business was sold. For a time Mr. Miller did not enjoy good health and underwent surgery.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller had no children, however, did raise a girl, JoJean Jorgenson (Mrs. John Nelson). They built a fine new home here and continued their residence in Lennox until August, 1964 when they moved to the west coast. He was a member of First English Lutheran church.

Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers, Al and Jerry, and one sister, Ida.

Deceased is survived by his widow; a foster daughter, Mrs. John Nelson; three foster grandchildren; two brothers, Henry Miller of San Antonio, Texas and Andy Miller of Rock City, Ill.; and one sister, Mrs. Roy Hofmeister of Rock City, Ill.