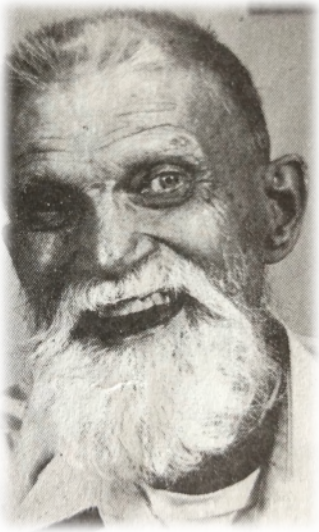
Harris Harley Johnson

November 18, 1916 – August 19, 1991



Harris Harley Johnson, 74, died Monday, August 19, 1991 in Sioux Valley Hospital.

Harris, son of Bertha Mae Bauman Johnson and George Eugene Johnson, was born November 18, 1916 at Gregory, SD. He grew up in Gregory and Sioux Falls and was graduated from the South Dakota School for the Deaf in 1936.

He then worked for Goodyear Tire Co. in Akron, OH for a time before attending Barber School in Stickney, SD. He then traveled as a barber for several years before returning to Gregory. He was united in marriage to Dolores Mary Nelson on November 28 1949 in Huron, SD. After their marriage, the couple lived in Gregory where Harris was a chef at his mother's hotel and café, the Luellyn Hotel and Café. (in Sioux "Luellyn" means "Welcome".) Harris retired in 1971 due to poor health and moved to Sioux Falls, in 1983.

Harris was a member of the Gregory United Methodist Church, the South Dakota Association of the Deaf, and also enjoyed playing Santa Clause at the Odd Fellows.

Grateful for having shared his life were his wife, Dolores, Sioux Falls, 3 sons, Terry and Dennis, Spearfish, SD and Mark, Sioux Falls; 4 grandchildren, Eric, Curtis, Orrin and Ingrid; 1 brother, Robert and his wife, Lee, Lakeville, AR; and a host of other relatives and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents; 1 brother, George; and 1 sister, Dorothy Ward.

Funeral service began at 2:00 PM Thursday, August 23, 1991 in George Boom Funeral Home. Burial was at 1 PM Friday at I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Gregory. Visitation began at 4 PM on Thursday in the funeral home.

