Larry Rolland Strain

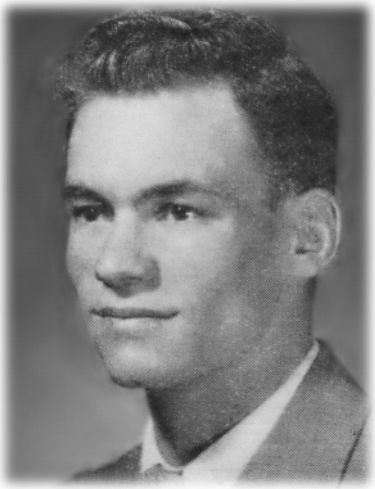
October 27, 1935 – April 8, 2013



Larry Rolland Strain, 77, Mitchell, died Monday, April 8, 2013, at Firesteel Healthcare Center, Mitchell, under hospice care.

He was born on October 27, 1935.

There was no services at this time. He was born in Milbank, S.D., to Ethel (Hoyt) and Loren Strain. He spent all of his school years at South Dakota School for the Deaf in Sioux Falls. Larry learned how to play sports. His favorite was football as he average 1-3 touchdowns per game, making them win the Little Sioux Conference football championship in 1953 and 1954. He graduated in 1955. Larry also excelled in basketball and track. He continued his passion for sports in the 1960's by participating on softball and basketball. He also coached for many years. He was an avid sports fan, player and coach. He was inducted into the S.D. Deaf Hall of Fame.



He is survived by two sisters: Jan Finn (Fred), Bonita Springs, Florida.; and Gail Hanten, Mitchell, S.D.; one brother, Boyd "Butch" Strain and wife Donna, Piedmont, S.D.; two nieces, Diane Brenden (Rocky), Mitchell, S.D.; and Jeanne (Dale) Mathey, LeMars, Iowa; and one nephew, Ty Hanten, Fargo, N.D.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one sister, LaDonna Caylor.

