Roy William Sylliaasen

January 15, 1897 – January 15, 1976



Roy Sylliaasen, age 79, a Yankton County native, died January 15 after a brief illness in a hospital in Benson, MN.

His funeral was Monday, January 19, 1976 from Our Redeemer Lutheran Church in Benson where they have lived since 1937. Interment was in the Benson Cemetery.

Officating was the Rev. S.J. Thompson with Patty Bunker as the interpreter for the Deaf.

Survivors are his widow, the former Tina Belgum, of Albion, NE, two sisters, Mrs. Bertha Kjeldseth, Yankton and Mrs. Olga Holm, Pacific, WA; four brothers, Abel, Palmdale, CA, Guy, Valley Springs, SD; James, Yankton and Henry, Mission Hill. Preceding him in death were his parents, the Matt Sylliaasens and brothers, Arthur, Martin, Walter and Ralph.

Attending the funeral from here were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Sylliaasen, and Mr. and Mrs. James Sylliaasen.

Forbord Funeral Home arranged the funeral.



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916 School for Deaf and Mute Basketball Team
ront row L to R: Carl Hegdahl, Clifford Deveraux, and Ruben Bergland.
ack row L to R: Everne Smith, Royal Lampy, Roy Sylliaasen, Elmer Johnson.

Note: Roy attended South Dakota School for the Deaf 1904 and graduated in 1916. He married Tena Helen Belgum, which she also attended SDSD on January 5, 1920.