Gladys Fern *Jensen* McAllister
January 9, 1901 – July 1975

Gladys Fern McAllister, 74, a former resident of Box Elder, South Dakota, passed away in Seattle, Washington, in July 1975.



1916 S.D. School for Deaf and Mute Girls Basketball team
Front row L to R: Tena Belgum, Florence Fossum, Ollie Sloan, Margaret Delvaux, and Lillian Gleich.
Back Row L to R: Glady Jensen, Esther Eaton, and Sophia Stachwick.

Gladys was born on January 9, 1901, in Freeman, South Dakota, to Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Jensen. Her family later moved to Farmingdale. She attended the South Dakota School for the Deaf in Sioux Falls through high school.

She married A. R. McAllister, who preceded her in death. Gladys lived in the Box Elder area until approximately 1972, when she moved to Seattle to make her home with a son.

She is survived by three sons, Don McAllister of Seattle, Washington, Robert McAllister of Potlatch, Idaho, and David McAllister of Metairie, Louisiana; 20 grandchildren; and nine brothers and sisters: Hazel Reinhold, Beulah Range, and Una Hamm, all of Rapid City, South Dakota; Cecil Jensen of Black Diamond, Washington; Verda Lane of Abilene, Texas; Inez Olds of Wayne, Nebraska; June Allendar of San Bernardino, California; Vivian Coulter of Norman, Oklahoma; and Russel Jensen of Albany, Georgia.

In addition to her husband, she was preceded in death by two sons, an infant daughter, and a brother, Corliss.

Funeral services were held at Redeemers Lutheran Church for the Deaf in Seattle. She was buried at Mountain View Cemetery in Rapid City, South Dakota. A memorial was established in her name at Redeemers Lutheran Church for the Deaf.



On the original photo, it has handwritten names over each lady. Unknown exact date however it is likely during between 1918-1919
Front row L to R: Esther Tessler, Mrs. Simpson, Gladys Jensen, Cleora Wallbrink.
Back row L to R: Bertha Weis, Antoinette Tetreault, Maggie Delvaux, and Blanche Tetreault



