Richard Harold Ahlgrim

May 4, 1945 – July 16, 1967



Richard “Ricky” Ahlgrim died on Sunday, July 16 when his sports car overturned in this western Minnesota city during attending a tri-state convention of deaf people.

Mr. Ahlgrim was born May 4, 1945, in Vermilion. He attended the South Dakota School for the Deaf at Sioux Falls, where he became one of the top basketball players, ranking best in rebounding (11 per game) and eighth in scoring (24.1 points per game) around all schools for the deaf in the nation.

Upon graduation in 1964, he was employed as a typesetter for the Vermillion Plain Talk. About five months ago he assumed a similar job at the Sioux Falls Argus Leader.



Mr. Ahlgrim is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harold A. Ahlgrim, two sisters, Miss Sharon and Miss Eleri Ann, the parernal grandfather, Ellery Ahlgrim, and the maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Ficken, all of Vermillion.

Funeral services for Mr. Ahlgrim held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First Methodist Church at Vermillion. The Rev. Walter A. Forred officated and burial at Bluff View Cemetery under direction of the Wagner-Iverson Funeral Home.

