Thomas Albert Hay

December 5, 1943 – October 2, 2005



Thomas A. Hay, 61, of Sioux Falls, died on Sunday, October 2, 2005, at the Good Samaritan Center.

Thomas was born on December 5, 1943 in Arlington, SD, the son of Clarence and Ellen (Welsh) Hay. He grew up in Arlington until moving to Sioux Falls at the age of 7. He attended and lived at the South Dakota School for the Deaf. He graduated in 1964. He went to linotype school in Charles City, IA, as a linotype operator until he moved back to Sioux Falls. He worked at CSD in Sioux Falls for 13 years. The last 5 years he stocked shelves at HyVee on East 10 th St. until a stroke in August of 2004 forced his retirement. He suffered another stroke in January 2005 and then became a resident of Good Samaritan Center until the time of his death.



He was a member of the South Dakota Association of the Deaf for nearly 25 years and also was a member of Deaf Seniors of South Dakota.

Those left to cherish his memory were his mother, Ellen Hay of Sioux Falls, SD; his brothers, Robert (Theresa) of Sioux Falls, SD and Michael (Donna) of Godwin, NC; his sister, Rebecca Tichi of Camp Verde, AZ and his many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father and his sister, Judy.

His Memorial Mass was held on Wednesday, October 5, 2005 at 10:30 AM in St. Michael Catholic Church, with Father Charles Cimpl as celebrant. The family was present at Heritage Funeral Home Chapel on Tuesday at 7:00 PM. A Christian Wake service began at 7:30 PM.

