

January 28, 1981

Augusta Clawson

Mrs. Delbert (Augusta) Clawson, 72, died January 20, at St. Luke's Hospital in Aberdeen.

Services were held at 1:30 p.m., Friday, Jan. 23, at the Groton United Methodist Church with the Rev. John Maines officiating.

Casket bearers were Harvey Dorfschmidt, Earl Lowary, Vern McCullough, Jim Rountree, Earl Ruden and Richard Ruden. Ralph Breitreutz was the usher.

Mrs. Gene Cassels, organist accompanied Mrs. Reed Grace as she sang "All My Trial". The congregation sang "Fairest Lord Jesus".

Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery. Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

Augusta Thede was born on November 5, 1908, at Wilton Junction, Iowa. As a young child she came with her family to Groton where she attended school before graduating and receiving her teacher's certificate from the University of South Dakota in 1928.

She taught in country schools around Groton until she married Delbert Clawson on June 23, 1935, in Groton. She and her husband lived in Aberdeen where she worked for Nash Finch until 1944. They returned to Groton in 1944 and in 1958 she received her degree from Northern State College.

She taught school in Claremont from 1958 to 1964. She taught at Howard-Hedger in Aberdeen from 1964 to 1974 when she retired. At the time of her death she was living at the Colonial Manor at Groton.

Survivors include two daughters, Mrs. Reed (Susan) Grace, Moberge; and Mrs. Gary (Nancy) Ruckdaschel, Aberdeen; two brothers, Dean Thede and Alan Thede, both of Portland, Ore.; one sister, Mrs. Duane (Mary Jane) Jensen, Portland, Ore.; and nine grandchildren.