

December 5, 1968

Bert Edward Hite

Bert E. Hite, 72, retired Randolph postmaster, passed away Saturday, Nov. 23, at the Mission Municipal Hospital in Mission, Texas, from an apparent heart attack.

Funeral services were held at 2:00 p. m., Wednesday, Nov. 27, at the Gates Funeral Home in Aberdeen with Gerald Pearson conducting the Christian Science service.

Burial was in the Groton cemetery, with Masonic rites at graveside by Paul Coombs.

Mrs. M. E. Hunstad was soloist and Mrs. Philo Hall the organist.

Honorary pall bearers were John Ott, Harold Brown, Carl Ellingson, Floyd Aggas, Leslie Benson and Don Hoffman.

Active pall bearers were Everett Hofer, Cyril Evans, Kenneth Ott, Allen Brown, Don Ellingson and Orville Ott.

Mr. Hite was born Feb. 16, 1896 at Verdon. He married Linda Wage at Moberg in 1917. They lived first in Elrod, where he was a grain buyer and later lived in Aberdeen and Bath before he became postmaster at Randolph. He retired in 1954. For the past 10 years he and his wife had made their winter home in Texas, where he was president of the McAllen Tourist Club. He was a member of the Aberdeen Christian Science Church, Aberdeen Masonic Blue Lodge No. 38 and the National Ass'n of Postal Employees.

Survivors include his widow; one daughter, Mrs. Ray (Betty) Vikander; one brother, A. R. Hite, St. Paul, Minn.; one sister, Mrs. W. J. Whittier, Baldwin Park, Calif.; and two grandchildren.