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Chester C. Johnson, 78

Chester C. Johnson, 78, Groton, died at McKennan Hospital, Sioux Falls, Thursday, Oct 8, 1992. The funeral was held at St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton, Monday, Oct. 12. The service was officiated by the Rev. John Werner. A prayer service was held at the funeral chapel Sunday evening. Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery.



Chester Johnson, was born May 14, 1914, in Brown County near Groton. His parents were Charles and Alma (Peterson) Johnson. He grew up in the Ferney/Groton area and attended Groton High School.

He married Vernita Sombke at Andover, February 14, 1935. They farmed in the Ferney/Groton area until they retired in 1968 and moved into Groton. He had spent several years at Parker, S.D., and in August of 1991 he moved to Turner Village at Parker. He was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. He served as a supervisor of East Hanson Township for 30 years. He was a community committee man ASC office for 15 years and served on the Ferney School Board for many years. He was one of the first board members of the Ferney Farmers Union Co-Op and was also a part-time employee of Krueger Construction.

He is survived by five sons, James Johnson and Glenn Johnson, both of Groton; Kenneth Johnson, Yankton; and Richard Johnson and Charles Johnson, both of Conde; two daughters, Mrs. Jim (Sheila) Anderson, Winfred, S.D. and Mrs. Donna Gunderson, Parker; one brother, Raymond Johnson, Groton; 13 grandchildren and 15 step grandchildren, five great grandchildren and 16 step great grandchildren and a special friend, Brenda Klarenbeek, Parker.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, one daughter and two brothers.

The casketbearers were Brian Ehrenberg, Doug Ehrenberg, Rick Koehler, Scott Gutzler, Chad Johnson, Chester (Chip) Gunderson and Todd McGannon.

The organist was Alvera Neuman and the soloist was David Sueltz. Ushers were Eugene Neuman and Duane Neumann.