

January 9, 1974

Clare H. Johnson

Funeral services for Clare H. Johnson, 52, Columbia, were held Thursday, Jan. 3, at the Aberdeen Alliance Church, 901 South Main Street, with the Rev. Leon L. Jensen officiating. Burial was in the Columbia City Cemetery with military graveside rites by the Roy L. Hall American Legion Post of Columbia.

Mrs. John Haak was the organist and Mrs. Leon Jensen the soloist. Ushers were Kenneth Webb, Lyle Buntrock and Roger Jensen.

Casket bearers were Leo Kimball, Arthur Daly, Alfred Larson, John Schliebe, Edward Tunby Jr. and Donald Mertz.

Mr. Johnson died Sunday, Dec. 30, at St. Luke's Hospital.

Clare Hamilton Johnson was born at Columbia October 12, 1921. He attended school there and graduated from Columbia High School in 1939. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II in India and returned to Columbia after his discharge. He married Donna Knecht at Aberdeen December 6, 1946. The couple lived in Columbia where he operated a painting business until the time of his death. He was a member of the Columbia Town Board and the American Legion post. He was also a substitute mail carrier.

Survivors include his widow; two sons, Larry and Mark, both of Columbia; one daughter, Mrs. Glenn (Barbara) Imberl, Aberdeen; three brothers, Robert of Columbia, Joseph of Bountiful, Utah, and Ralph of Aberdeen; and one sister, Mrs. Martin (Mary) Weismantel, Columbia.

He was preceded in death by his parents and two sisters.