

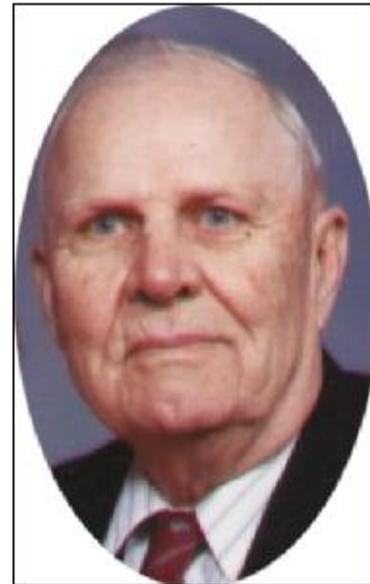
July 16, 2004

Obit: Raymond Johnson

- Private graveside services for Raymond Johnson will be held at sunset on Friday, July 16th in Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garress Funeral Chapel, Groton.

- Raymond Edward Johnson was born on May 28, 1908 to Charles and Alma (Peterson) Johnson in Hobart, Indiana. In 1910, his family moved to South Dakota to begin farming. Raymond attended school in Groton, graduating in 1927. He united in marriage with Edith Feller on June 15, 1933 at Big Stone Lake. The couple made their home on a farm south of Groton before moving into town in 1951. Edith passed away May 10, 1998.

- Raymond was a member of the United Methodist Church, Groton. He enjoyed life on the farm and attending auctions.



- Survivors include his son; Jerry (Joan) Johnson of Groton, two daughters; Joanne May of Marina Del Ray, California, Jeanne (Nicholas) Capazzoli of West Nyack, New York, three grandchildren; Nick Capozzoli, Lisa Ford and Jerry Ray Johnson.

- He died at the age of 96 on Thursday, July 15, 2004 at Avera St. Lukes Hospital, Aberdeen. Preceding him in death were his wife, parents, brother, Chester and two infant brothers.