

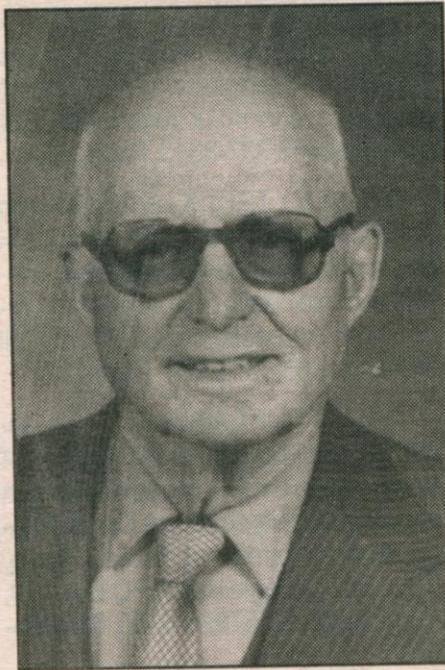
Chancy Morey

Chancy Morey, 97, of Groton died January 30, 2002 at Beverly Healthcare Center in Groton. His funeral was held February 2 at St. John's Lutheran Church with Pastor Craig Grams officiating. Burial was in the Bethania Cemetery, Colton, S.D. Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel of Groton were in charge of the arrangements.

Chancy Lawrence Morey was born on June 9, 1904 in Crocker, S.D., to Julius A. and Helen (Steffenson) Morey. Chancy lived in several towns as a young man and attended school in McLaughlin, S.D.; Oakes, N.D.; and Straubville, N.D. In early adulthood he worked in a family restaurant, as well as on a farm. On March 7, 1929 he married Myrtle Valland in Colton. The couple farmed there until 1944 when they moved to Verdon, S.D. Farming was the love of his life, starting with a steam-engine threshing crew. In December of 1969, they moved to Groton. Myrtle died October 22, 1982. Chancy continued to reside in Groton until the time of his death.

Chancy was a member of St. John's Lutheran Church, Groton. He enjoyed fishing, hunting, bowling and music. He also had a shop where he made many wooden tables, chairs, toys, etc. He was a self-taught musician, playing the violin, harmonica, piano and guitar. In the 1930's, he was a member of a band that played at many barn dances.

Survivors include his son Kenneth Morey of Deerwood, Minn.; five daughters: Dolores (Russell) Swanson of Riverton, Minn.; Ruth Morey of Aberdeen; Kay (James) Wolner of San Di-



ego, Calif.; Verna Thurston of Hastings, Minn.; Helen (Roger) Munger of Aberdeen; one sister Lorene Thornburg of Austin, Minn.; one half-sister of Calif.; and 18 grandchildren; 39 great-grandchildren; nine great-great grandchildren; nine step-grandchildren; 19 step-great-grandchildren; and two step-great-great grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his parents, his wife, two infant sons, two brothers, one half-brother, three great-grandchildren and one great-great step granddaughter.

Casket bearers were Randy Bonn, Andre Bonn, Donald Bonn, Kerry Mertz, Timothy Thurston, Richard Morey, James Wolner and Anton Wettstein, Sr.