

June 22, 1977

Robert Neff

Services for Robert T. Neff, 71, Houghton were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, June 15, at the Columbia Congregational Church with the Rev. Robert Brown of the United Methodist Church of Claremont officiating. Burial was in the Columbia Cemetery with masonic graveside rites by the Columbia Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Neff died Saturday evening, June 11, at the Dakota Midland Hospital, Aberdeen.

Mrs. Edwin Karlen was the organist and Rodney Barnes was the soloist.

Ushers were Harry Kemnitz and David James.

Casket bearers were William James, Philip Bacon, Ivan James, John Freeland, Donald Miller Sr. and Philip Davidson.

Robert Thomas Neff was born January 27, 1906, at Washington Court House, Ohio. As a small child he moved with his family to Barnard and later moved to the Houghton-Claremont area where he farmed. He married Hazel Kimball June 17, 1938, at Ipswich. They made their home on a farm near Houghton where he had resided for the past 34 years.

He was a deacon of the Columbia Congregational Church and was a member of the Columbia Masonic Blue Lodge and the Order of the Eastern Star.

Survivors include his widow, one son, Edward, Claremont; two daughters, Mrs. Marilyn Thoreson and Mrs. Roland (Sandra) Tullis, both of Groton; one brother, Eldon, Lampac, Calif; two sisters, Mrs. George (Ann) Andrews, Claremont; and Mrs. Max (Helen) Zastrow, Columbia; and 10 grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by one sister and one granddaughter.