

May 1, 1974

Arthur Werth

Services for Arthur W. Werth, 61, of 1802 12th Ave., S.E., Aberdeen, were held Saturday, April 27, at 2 p.m. at the First United Methodist Church in Aberdeen with the Rev. Richard Ward officiating. Burial was in the Riverside Memorial Cemetery. Masonic grave services were conducted by Kermit Sperry.

Mr. Werth died Thursday night at Dakota Midland Hospital.

Honorary pallbearers were Dr. W.J. Rivett of Aberdeen, Lawrence Rohwer, Algot Johnson, Waldemar Lenling, Otho Rix and Ben Anderson, all of Groton. Active pallbearers were Arden Rix, William Heitmann, Robert Johnson, Ralph Brethkreutz, all of Groton; Vernon Misslitz, Warner; and Julius Kirschenmann, Aberdeen.

Arthur Walter Werth was born May 6, 1912, at Aberdeen. He was a graduate of Central High School and graduated from the University of Minnesota in 1935. He worked for the district office of International Harvester Co. in Aberdeen.

In 1945 he formed a partnership with the late Norman Berry and they owned an International Harvester and Chrysler dealership in Groton. In 1951 he started the Groton Farm Store and retired in 1965 and moved to Aberdeen. He married Florence Margaret Breene on May 8, 1940, at Gettysburg.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, a past master of Groton Lodge 65 A.F. and A.M., a life member of the Aberdeen Scottish Rite and a past captain of the patrol of the Yelduz Temple of the Shrine. He was a member of the Elks, a former Groton mayor, and a past president of the Groton Kiwanis Club.

Survivors include his widow; two daughters, Mrs. Grant (Lois) Sperl of Wabasha, Minn., and Mrs. David (Carol) MacNally of Pierre; four grandchildren; two brothers, Fred and Alvin, both of Aberdeen; and three sisters, Mrs. Clarence (Hilda) Lowe, Mrs. Don (Lena) Young and Mrs. Clarence (Edna) Larson, all of Aberdeen.

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