

HANSEN, Joseph

May 26, 1898
Beresford, South Dakota
October 30, 1984
Viborg

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Funeral services for Joseph were held on Thursday, November 1 by the Masonic members; and on Friday, November 2nd at 2:00 p.m., at the Hurley United Methodist Church in Hurley, S. D. Officiating was the Rev. David Mack, with organist Mrs. Virgil Christensen and special music by Arden Flyger. Ushers were Richard Jensen Jr., and Bob Christopherson.

Honorary bearers were Dale Christensen, Lee Peterson, Virgil Nelson, Gilbert Ruden, Leslie Flyger and H. A. Mateer. Pallbearers were Ed Mansfield, Duane Hansen, Wayne Peterson, Tom Diefendorf, Wayne McCallister and Folker Hansen.

He was laid to rest in Rosehill cemetery, Viborg, S. D.

Funeral Services For Joseph Hansen

Joseph Hansen was born May 26, 1898 at Beresford, S. D. He was the seventh of twelve children born to Folker and Karen Marie Hansen. Joe had been a resident of the Pioneer Memorial Nursing home in Viborg for the past two years, and he passed away there in his sleep on Tuesday morning, October 30, 1984. He attained the age of 86.

When Joe was five years old his family went to Africa as missionaries, but returned after one year. Then the family resided on a farm near Irene, S. Dak.

Joe married Violet Johnson, February 18, 1925 at Sioux Falls, S. D. They made their home in Viborg. Joe carried mail out of Viborg from 1921 to 1943 and then continued to carry mail out of Hurley until 1965 when he retired. Joe and Violet resided in Hurley during the time he carried mail there. During his mail carrying days he drove approximately 1,000,000 miles without an accident and was awarded several safe driving commendations.

He was a member of the Hurley United Methodist Church. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge since 1923, most recently of Joppa Lodge #120 where he served as treasurer for 30 years. He was awarded a 60 year pin in 1983. In addition to carrying mail he was an accomplished carpenter.

Joe is survived by his wife, Violet; two sons, Joe and his wife, Barbara and their two sons, Chris and Ted and daughter, Laura, all living in Tennessee. Jim and his wife, Marge, and their two sons, Jim and wife, Karrie and Eric and daughter, Anne, all living in California. He is also survived by four brothers: Oscar D., of Elk Point, S. D., Enoch of Port Angeles, Washington; Art of Longview, Washington; and Dave of Larkspur, California.