

JOHNSON, Nels J.

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August 30, 1951

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Obituary

NELS J. JOHNSON

Funeral services for Nels J. Johnson were held in the Methodist Church in Viborg. Rev. B. Roy Brown and Rev. Wayne Rager officiating. Pallbearers were: Russell Hammond, Al Hammond, Darrell Hendry, Byron Hendry, Lester Gors and Max Gors. Songs were rendered by Janice and Avis Benson and Mrs. David Bylander. Interment was in Rose Hill Cemetery. Viborg Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Nels J. Johnson was born Jan. 3rd, 1864, in Soenborg, Denmark, and passed away Aug. 30th, 1951, at the age of 87 yrs. 7 mos., and 27 days.

He came to America with his parents, Andrew and Hannah Johnson, at the age of 17, the year of 1881. They resided in Chicago until 1883, then came to South Dakota where they became citizens of the United States.

On Feb. 7th, 1891, he was married to Carrie Pederson. To this union five children were born, four of which survive. A son died in infancy.

They celebrated their 60th anniversary last Feb. 7th.

He was an employee on the North Western Railroad for 32 years and has resided in South Dakota up until 4½ years ago when he and his wife moved to Hawarden, Ia., to make their home with their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. P. F. McManaman.

He leaves to mourn his passing away, his wife, Carrie Johnson, and four children, Mrs. Hannah Johnson, Hawarden, Ia., Mrs. Elmer G. Frank, Rapid City, S. Dak., Mr. Andrew P. Johnson, Rockford, Ia., Mr. Willard P. Johnson, Butte, Mont., six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

He was a member of the D. B. S. Brotherhood at Viborg, S. Dak.