

BERTHELSEN, Emmett A. "Bert"

June 30, 1927

Viborg

January 24, 1998

Sioux Falls (auto accident injuries)

Viborg Enterprise

January 29, 1998

Emmett Berthelsen

Emmett "Bert" Berthelsen, 70, of Sioux Falls died Saturday, January 24, 1998 at McKennan Hospital as the result of an auto accident on January 14.

Bert Berthelsen was born on June 30, 1927 at Viborg, SD the son of George and Alice Berthelsen. He grew up and attended school in Viborg and graduated from Viborg High School in 1946. He worked for Van Beek Plumbing and Heating until 1950 when he entered the U.S. Army, serving in the Korean War. After his discharge in 1952, he returned to Viborg. Bert married Elaine "Tootie" Larsen on August 30, 1953 in Viborg. They lived in Viborg until 1956 when they moved to Sioux Falls. Bert worked for Morrell's and retired after 27 years. Mrs. Berthelsen died on January 14 in the car accident.

He was a member of the St. John American Lutheran Church, the Center for Active Generations, VFW Post #628, Moose Lodge #503, and American Legion Post 15.

Bert was preceded in death by his daughter Diane Berthelsen, one brother, Orville, and two sisters, Verna and Laura.

Grateful for having shared his life are his daughter, Mrs. Tom (Sharon) Moran of Sioux Falls; three grandchildren, Shannon, Travis, and Stacey; one great-granddaughter Samantha; and two sisters, Mrs. Lillie Sorensen of Viborg and Mrs. Wilfred (Elna) Snoozy of San Jose, CA.

The funeral service was held on Tuesday, January 27, 1998 at St. John American Lutheran Church. Interment was in Rosehill Cemetery in Viborg.