

GADDIS, Loraine T. "Larry"

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Loraine "Larry" T. Gaddis was born July 26, 1918 at Sioux Falls. His parents were Tilden and Barbara (Wolfe) Gaddis.

He grew up and attended grade school at Ellis. After his father's death, he helped his mother on the farm. He married Grace Wring on December 18, 1943 in CA. They moved to Viborg in October of 1946 and built the Eat 'N Spin Drive Inn and Roller Rink. Larry was a clerk in the US Post Office for 30 years and also helped Grace at the funeral home for 50 years. Grace passed away

on June 16, 1999. He loved watching softball and baseball games whether in Viborg or on TV. He also enjoyed golfing, fishing, hunting, and playing cards.

Larry passed away on February 14, 2004 at Pioneer Memorial Hospital in Viborg. He had attained the age of 85.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, eight brothers Ralph, Eddie, Dewey, Archie, Richard, Loyal, Russel, and Everett and three sisters Marie Oppold, Olive Welbon, and Mae Mead.

Larry is survived by a daughter Rhoda (Evert) Fredricks of Viborg; a son Glen (Shelly) of Sioux Falls; three grandchildren Geri DeVries, Cody and McKayla Gaddis; six step-grandchildren Angie Kroeger, Melanie

Conkling, Michelle Muller, and Jennifer, Jason and Erik Fredricks; eight step-great-grandchildren Jay and Joe DeVries, Kyle Kroeger, Jared Conkling, Katelyn, Paityn and Brexten Fredricks, and Adrian Fredricks; a sister Ruth (Robert) Cronn of Sundance, WY; and many other relatives and friends.

Services were Wednesday, February 18, 2004 at United Methodist Church, Viborg, with Pastor Hazel Behrens officiating. Alphie Peterson was the organist and special music was provided by Alan, Gary and Ethel Ward.

Pallbearers were Rhoda Fredricks, Glen Gaddis, Kelly DeVries, Erik Fredricks, Ron Conkling, and Rodney Ness. Interment was at Woodlawn Cemetery, Sioux Falls.
