OSTHUS, Roy Norman

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Roy Norman Osthus

Roy Norman Osthus was born April 28, 1922 in Centerville. His parents were Christian J. and Anna (Sand) Osthus.

He attended school in Centerville. Roy enlisted in the Army on January 21, 1943. He served as a paratrooper in World War II until November 4, 1945. He married Lorraine Hansen on January 3, 1947 at Salem Lutheran Church in rural Freeman. Roy farmed, operated a feed store and worked various agriculture jobs throughout his life in the Centerville and Viborg area. He was a member of the Bethany Lutheran Church and the Viborg American Legion. Roy also loved gardening and he spent many hours planting and watering flowers in his community.

Roy passed away on January 6, 1999 at Sioux(Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls. He had attained the age of 76.

He was preceded in death by his parents; three sisters, Sedelle, Lyda, and Dagmer; and two brothers, Chester and Christian, Jr.

Roy is survived by his wife, Lorraine, of Viborg; two sons, Keith and wife Jean of Brookings, and Kevin and wife Kathy of Melbourne Beach, FL; one daughter, Charlene and husband Tom Honkomp of Brookings; nine grandchildren, four great-grandchildren; two sisters, Fern Payson of Centerville, and Gladys Jacobsen of Viborg; and many other relatives and friends.

Services were held Saturday, January 9, 1999, at Bethany Lutheran Church, Viborg, SD, with Pastor Mindy Ehrke officiating. Ada Oakland was the organist with Shelley Slack providing the special music. Pallbearers were Dale Leslie, Boyd Jacobson, Dennis Harmon, Elwood Harmon, Bob Harmon, Harlan Knudson, Eldon Harmon, Dean Harmon, Chalmer Leslie, Donn Leslie, and Cliff Payson. Internment was at Rosehill Cemetery, rural Viborg, SD.