

NELSON, Roy Bert

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Last Rites Held For Roy Nelson

ROY BERT NELSON

Funeral services for Roy B. Nelson, who died last Thursday from a heart attack, were held on Tuesday, June 12th, at the First Baptist Church with Rev. I. Fredmund officiating. Pallbearers were Eskild C. Lund, L. J. Rasmussen, Lauris Olsen, Ellsworth Christensen, Ervin Holm and Peter Hendricksen.

The high esteem in which Mr. Nelson was held by the entire community was evident by the large crowd that filled the church edifice to overflowing. While he had been in failing health for some time, he was busy with his duties as Postmaster at the time of his death.

Roy Bert Nelson, son of Soren and Caren Nelson, was born on a farm near Viborg on January 15, 1883, and lived his entire life in this community. He was graduated from Sioux Falls Academy and attended Yankton College.

At the age of 16 he united with the First Baptist Church of Viborg by baptism, and served his church faithfully and continuously during his lifetime.

He was married to Mary Stewart on June 30, 1909, and to this union three children were born.

In 1904 he entered business in Viborg in a general store known as Fred and Roy's. In 1919 he entered the furniture and undertaking business. He was appointed postmaster in 1936, a position he held until his death.

Mr. Nelson served as state senator for Turner County for two terms, 1933 through 1937. He served on the Viborg school board for ten years.

He was a member of the DBS lodge and the Oriental Consistory, and also was a Past Master of Emounah Lodge, A. F. A. M., and Past Patron of Sunshine Chapter, O. E. S.

He is survived by his widow Mary, a son, Roger of Washington, D. C., and a daughter, Harriet Eneboe of Alcester, and five grandchildren; three brothers, David and Harry of Viborg and Ellis of Sioux Falls, and one sister, Mrs. Agnes Eggleston of Alcester. One daughter, Elaine, preceded him in death in August, 1950.

Among the out-of-town folks here to attend the Roy B. Nelson funeral services on Tuesday were:

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holm, Mrs. York Sampson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Olson, Mrs. John A. Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. Clair Olson, Mr. Robert Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hendricksen, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Morris Olson and Steven, Mr. Joseph Swenson, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Godfrey, all of Sioux Falls; Mr. and Mrs. Paul M. Lunder, Dr. E. P. Eneboe, Mrs. R. Eneboe, and Mrs. Art Sogn, all of Canton, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Johnson, Mrs. Vivian Engebretson, Mrs. Fred Anderson, Mrs. L. K. Dietrich, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Stroshane, and Mrs. Leafstedt, all of Alcester; Mr. and Mrs. Howard Mortenson, Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Sample, Miss Margaret Hood, Mr. and Mrs. Gifford Christensen, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl E. Friedland, all of Wakonda; Mrs. Merlin Bonine, Mrs. Ida Bring, Mrs. Anna Struble, Mrs. Julius Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Nelson, Mrs. Martin Miller and daughters, all of Centerville; Mr. and Mrs. Joe Hanson, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Larson, and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hutchinson, all of Hurley; Mr. and Mrs. Nels Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Alvin E. Anderson and Emmet, Mr. and Mrs. Ole Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. David Nelson, and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph J. Wenge, all of Dell Rapids; Mr. and Mrs. Arlo Monk and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Egan, Parker; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Hansen and Mr. and Mrs. Harl Holm, Irene; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Carlson, Sioux Center, Ia.; Supt. and Mrs. Q. L. Wright, Pickstown; Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Allen, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Wieger, Yankton; Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Skie, Lennox; Mrs. Oliver Anderson, Hudson; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Ebbesen and Ielene, Vermillion; Mrs. C. T. Brown, Chicago, Ill.; Mr. Harvey Monk, Beresford; Mrs. Alene Prose, San Diego,

Calif.; Mr. and Mrs. Victor Larson, Siani; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nelson, Trent; Mrs. N. P. Christensen, Werner, N. Dak.; Mr. and Mrs. David Galbraith, Grand Forks, N. Dak.; Mr. James J. Stewart, St. Cloud, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Newell Sorensen, Hooker; Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Monk, California; Mr. Chris Nelson, Davis; Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Rechnagel, Freeman.