

Halvorson-Johnson Funeral & Cremation Care

K. "Wayne" Johnson

(December 22, 1910 - November 29, 2012)

K. "Wayne" Johnson of Brainerd, passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital on November 29, 2012, just shy of his 102nd birthday.



He was born on December 22, 1910 in Fort Ripley, MN to Charles and Mabel (Cook) Johnson. He attended local grade school and then high school in Little Falls, graduating in 1929. He began his first employment during the summer before his senior year and following graduation. He worked at Hallett Construction Company, a paving business from 1928 until February 15, 1953. During that time, Wayne served in the US Army for two years, 1944-1946, and returned to Hallett in St. Peter, MN.

He married Anna Mae Lundquist on July 1, 1939 in Minneapolis and the couple lived in various towns in Minnesota since Wayne's work took him to different locations. Examples include Ashton, Iowa; Jordan, Minnesota and Geneva, Iowa. They finally settled in St. Peter, Minnesota in 1942 where he lived until 1988.

In February of 1953, he was employed at the St. Peter Post Office as clerk-carrier, a position he maintained for 5 years, and then rural mail carrier for 18 years. He retired from postal employment in 1976.

He was a member of the First Lutheran Church, having joined in 1942 after receiving studies and being baptized.

Wayne and Anna Mae adopted Melanie Mae, born September 5, 1947 as an infant, and Curtis Wayne was born to them on July 5, 1950.

Wayne was active in the work of his church, including dedicated service to Scout Troop #58. He was a life member of VFW and DAV. He was partially disabled in the Battle of the Bulge in France, December 15, 1944. He was awarded the Purple Heart and wears the scars from his injury to this day.

After 47 years of happy marriage Anna Mae died on May 9, 1986 after a long illness.

Wayne was married on January 17, 1988 in Grand Terrace, California to Evelyn Grimstad Herrmann. She died on September 5, 2003 at the

age of 91.

He will be deeply missed by his children, Melanie Haller of Moline, IL, Curtis Johnson of Brainerd; step-children, Doug (Mary) Herman and Bruce Herman; many grandchildren and great-grandchildren; other nieces, nephews and cousins.

Funeral Service at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, December 5, 2012 at First Lutheran Church in Brainerd.

Visitation on Tuesday, December 4, 2012 from 4-7 PM at the funeral home and also one hour prior to the service at church.

Interment will take place at Evergreen Cemetery in Brainerd.

Serving the family:
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