

JESSEN, ALVIN C.  
July 5, 1908-October 8, 1992

Funeral services for Alvin C. Jessen, 84, were held Monday, October 12, 1992 at 2:00 p.m. at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Wheatland with the Reverend Randall Golter, Pastor. Interment was in the family plot in the Wheatland Cemetery.

Mr. Jessen died Thursday, October 8 at the Platte County Memorial Hospital following a short illness.

Al was born July 5, 1908 in Cairo, Nebraska, the son of Martin and Laura (McGuire) Jessen. He came to the Wheatland area in 1914 with his parents, and they lived in a sod house on their homestead south of Sand Creek. He was reared and educated in rural county schools. He began farming with his father, and also drove school bus for him until 1935.

He was married to Elsie M. Johnson January 27, 1935 in Wheatland, and they farmed in the Wheatland area, except for a short time, 1947-1949, they ranched in the Chugwater area.

They quit farming in 1965 and moved to Wheatland where he drove the bulk gas truck for the Bryce Orr's Texaco Bulk Plant until his retirement in 1973.

In his retirement years, he trapped from 1973-1983 and in the last few years he made wine and did wood work.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He served on the school board from 1943-1947. He was a member of the Trinity Lutheran Church, where he was baptized and confirmed.

He was also proud of the fact that during World War II, he was able to stay home to farm and work in the airport as a security guard.

He is survived by his wife, Elsie, of Wheatland; two daughters, Thelma Cornwall of Guernsey, and Lucille Luhring of Pullman, Washington.

Other survivors include four sisters, Mabel Miller, Hazel Klein, and Ella Burzlaff all of Wheatland, and Leslie Juschka of Buffalo, Wyo.; fifteen grandchildren, six great grandchildren, and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two daughters, Margaret Moede and Helen Swensen; two infant brothers, Elmer and Delmar Jessen, one brother Glen (Pete) Jessen, one sister, Elizabeth Bohl and an infant granddaughter.

Serving as pallbearers were Bob Luhring, Dan Cornwall, Bob McCarty, Tim Luhring, Tim Westerman and Don Moede.

A memorial to the Trinity Lutheran Church or to a charity of the donor's choice would be appreciated by the family.

The Platte Funeral Chapel of Wheatland was in charge of the arrangements.