

Andrew Olof Johnson

Andrew Olof Johnson was born in Kalmar, Smaaland, Sweden, on the 29th of January, 1855. At the age of 26 he immigrated to America and found employment in North Dakota with a railroad construction crew. At about this time he filed on land in Griggs county, homesteaded east of Hannaford, and was known as one of the early pioneer of Griggs county.

On the 6th day of February, 1886, he was joined in wedlock with Marie Katherine Hendrickson at Coopers-town, N. Dak. This union was blessed with three children, two girls and one boy, the latter dying in infancy. In 1894, only eight years after their marriage, the mother was taken away and her remains were laid to rest in the Union cemetery northeast of Hannaford.

Mr. Johnson was of a disposition which won for him many true friends. He was jovial yet serious when confronted with affairs. He was always a Lutheran of faith. He was baptized and confirmed in the State Church of Sweden and when he came to North Dakota his interest in the church continued. He was a member of the Lutheran Church of Cooperstown, where he resided for several years after leaving the homestead.

Mr. Andrew Olof Johnson died at the St. Luke Hospital at Fargo, Saturday evening, August 6, at 10 o'clock. The cause of his death was kidney trouble, from which he had been troubled for some time, with complications. All that man can do was done for him, but God had called. And "His ways are not our ways."

Those of the immediate family who are left to mourn the departure of the deceased are his two daughters, Huldah, Mrs. Marius Hernes of Fargo, and Edna, Mrs. Oscar Ouren of Hannaford.

Funeral services were held at the Lutheran Church at Hannaford on Wednesday afternoon, August 10th, Rev. George S. Natwick officiating. Interment was made in Union cemetery.

Card of Thanks

To those who so kindly helped us during the illness and death of Andrew Olof Johnson, and for the many beautiful floral offerings, we wish to extend our heartfelt thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Ouren and family