

Edwin Johnson was born to Rudolph and Elizabeth (Borsheim) Johnson on the family farm south of Zahl on February 10, 1916. He was educated through eighth grade at a rural school close to the farmstead.

As a young man, Edwin helped on the farm, worked at Fort Peck Dam, and in the beet fields in Montana.

On August 15, 1938 Edwin married Gail Smith in Sidney, Montana. In 1939 Edwin moved his young family to Hancock, Massachusetts. He farmed and worked various jobs there before returning to Zahl in 1945.

Upon their return to North Dakota, Edwin and Gail purchased a farm south of Zahl. They resided on that farm until January 2004 when they moved to Williston.

Edwin was a member of Faith Lutheran Church. He spent many enjoyable hours hunting and fishing and was everyone's favorite partner for card games. In later years, he was a member of the Alamo Senior Citizens.

Edwin was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Lenora Sundstrom, Selma Johnson, and Virginia Torske. He was also predeceased by two daughters-in-law, Mary Johnson and Barbara Johnson.

He is survived by his wife of 70 years, Gail Johnson; children, Edwina (Len) Wilkins of Billings, MT, Gary (Harriet) Johnson of Grand Haven, MI, Judy (Gary) Denker, of Custer, SD, and Robert Johnson of Williston, ND. In addition, Edwin leaves five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; brother-in-law Winfred (Emily) Smith; sister-in-law, Kathleen Smith; and many nieces and nephews.



Like the seasons

Life renews its buds

In spring,

Grows and flourishes in the

Bright light of the summer sun,

Matures in the

Golden hue of the autumn days,

Rests in the soft whiteness of winter,

To begin anew.

IN MEMORY OF EDWIN JOHNSON

DATE AND PLACE OF BIRTH

FEBRUARY 10, 1916 Zahl. North Dakota

DATE AND PLACE OF DEATH

September 18, 2008 Williston, North Dakota

FUNERAL SERVICE

10:30 AM, Tuesday, September 23, 2008 Faith Lutheran Church Rural Zahl, North Dakota

CLERGY

PASTOR APRIL PETERSON

EULOGIST

James Hamann

MUSCIANS

Dennis Stromme ~ Accompanist James Hamann ~ Vocalist

USHERS

LEE GUNLIKSON GLENN BREVIK

CASKETBEARERS

PAUL MAY SAM JOHNSON RODNEY SMITH PAUL PEDERSON WADE GAFKJEN

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