

Thursday, July 20, 1961

**OBITUARY**

**VIRGIL JOHNSON**  
(Contributed)

Virgil, son of E. H. and Ella Johnson, was born in Deep River, Iowa, on February 27, 1898, and passed away at his home in Grinnell, Iowa, on July 15, 1961, at the age of sixty-three years.

He attended the Deep River school and the Presbyterian Sunday school and church. He was a member of the Deep River band.

In his youth his father passed away and he helped his mother rear the young members of the family. On December 13, 1922, he was united in marriage with Audra Harden. To this union, two daughters were born. They made their home in Deep River where he was engaged in business until about six years ago when they moved to Grinnell where he operated a drive-in restaurant.

He had been in poor health the last several months. He was a loving husband and father, and a good neighbor.

Mr. Johnson was preceded in death by his father, one brother, Ray, and one sister, Neva Wherry. He is survived by his wife and two daughters, Kathleen Bahrenfuse and Karen Stevenson; two grandsons, James Virgil and Kenneth George Stevenson; his mother, Mrs. Ella Johnson; and three sisters, Cleo Cronacher, Mary McClaskey, and Jennie Dearinger; other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were conducted from the Steffy Funeral home, Montezuma, at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, July 19, by the Rev. George S. Snyder of the Montezuma Methodist church. Burial was in the Goldenrod cemetery, Deep River. Music for the services was provided by Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Icenbice, with Mrs. Clint Icenbice as organist. Pall bearers were C. B. Hornbeck, Cecil Elliott, P. J. Icenbice, Walto McGriff, Marion See, and Bert Phipps.

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In his youth, after his father's death he helped his mother rear the younger members of her family.

He was united in marriage with Audra Harden, Dec. 13, 1922, and to this union, two daughters were born. They made their home in Deep River where he was engaged in business until about six years ago when they moved to Grinnell where he operated a drive-in restaurant. He has been in failing health for the last several months.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters, Kathleen Bahrenfuse and Karen Stevenson, two grandsons, James Virgil and Kenneth George Stevenson; his mother, Mrs. Ella Johnson, and three sisters, Cleo Cronacher, Mary McClaskey and Jennie Dearinger, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. at the Steffy Funeral Home with Rev. George Snyder, officiating. Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Icenbice sang 'Nearer My God to Thee' and 'The Old Rugged Cross,' accompanied by Mrs. Clint Icenbice. Interment was in the Goldenrod Cemetery, Deep River. Casketbearers were Dr. C. D. Hornbeck, Cecil Elliott, P. J. Icenbice, Walter McGriff, Marion See and Bert Phipps.