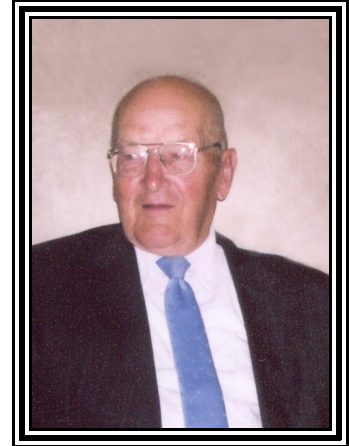


Obituary

Francis A. Whitten, 92

Francis Anderson Whitten, 92, of Blackfoot, passed away Friday, April 30, 2010 at his daughter's home in Groveland.

He was born August 3, 1917 in Weiser, Idaho, to Frank Whitten and Elma Florence Anderson Whitten. Francis lived his entire life in Wapello. He attended school in Blackfoot, graduating from Blackfoot High School. Following graduation he attended Southern Branch of Idaho State University.



On March 7, 1951 he married Isabell Christiansen in Thomas, Idaho. Their marriage was solemnized in the Idaho Falls LDS Temple in 1956. Isabell preceded him in death on October 9, 1997.

Francis was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints. He believed in the value of home teaching and was a very dedicated home teacher.

He enjoyed history and was a member of the Historical Society. He was also a past Farm Bureau Board member.

Francis had worked 18 years at State Hospital South as a boiler operator, he also worked for the Sugar Factory and many of Blackfoot's original potato warehouses.

He was well versed in reading and enjoyed listening to symphony and orchestra music.

He is survived by his children: William Sherman Whitten, of Blackfoot, Bonita (Kevin) Marcum, of Fowler, Kansas, Nancy L. (Lance) Call, of Blackfoot; nine grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Isabell, his parents, a daughter-in-law, Holly Whitten and his brother, Harry Whitten.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. Monday, May 3, 2010 at the Wapello 1st Ward LDS Chapel with Bishop Charles Dansie conducting. The family will meet with friends and relatives from 6 to 8 p.m. Sunday, May 2, 2010 at Hawker Funeral Home and again for one hour prior to services at the church. Interment will be in the Riverside-Thomas Cemetery.

The family suggests that in lieu of flowers memorial contributions be made to Primary Children's Medical Center, P. O. Box 58249, Salt Lake City, Utah 84158-0249.

Condolences may be sent to the family at condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com.