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Ralph M. Ast, 95

Dec. 21, 1897 - Nov. 15, 1993

Lincoln, CA- Ralph M. Ast was born Dec. 21, 1897 in Walnut. He was the son of Daniel and Laura Engleman Ast and was one of 21 children in the family. He lived in the Walnut area until the mid 1930's when he moved to CA. He was employed by the U. S. Postal Department until his retirement. He and his brother, Theodore, made their home together in Long Beach, CA, until 1971 when Theodore died. Ralph made yearly trips back to Iowa to visit friends and relatives. he also traveled to many foreign countries during his retirement years. He died in Lincoln, CA Nov. 15, 1993, at age 95 years, 10 months and 24 days.

he was preceded in death by his parents and his 20 brothers and sisters; two as infants, Albert, Ross, Frank, Fred, Will, Ernest, George, Richard, Charles, Theodore, Loretta Richardson, Minnie Scherer, Alta Wilson, Vera Ast, Emma Ast, Frieda Knott, Mae Patton and Effie Olsen. Survivors are nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Graveside services were held at the Walnut cemetery Dec. 7, 1993 with Rev. Michael Harvey officiating.