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## **LaRue Irving Park, 76**

**March 7, 1919 - April 13, 1995**

**Killeen, TX** - LaRue Irving Park was born in Spokane, WA March 7, 1919 the son of LaRue and Lillie Mae Stanley Park. He was one of eight children in the family. The family moved to NY state. He attended school in Bradford, NY and graduated from the Bradford High School in 1935. He worked with his father on the farm and also in a saw mill.

He married Fannie Gertrude Gooding Aug. 25, 1942 at West Blockton, AL. They made their home in NY where he continued to farm. He studied for the ministry and became a minister. He served several communities in NY, Cincinnati, OH, Sioux City and Madison, SD. In 1952 they moved to Co. Bluffs. In Co. Bluffs he worked at various occupations including Midwest Walnut Log Co., Evans Cleaners and the Broadway Cleaners. They moved to Walnut in 1959. He continued working for the Broadway Cleaners and also drove a Star Route for the U.S. Postal Service. He also helped with garbage pickup and in delivering the Nonpareil and the Des Moines Register newspapers. About a year ago they sold their home in Walnut and made their home with their son, Paul in Killeen, TX. He died in Killeen, TX April 13, 1995 at age 76 years, one month and six days.

He was preceded in death by his parents and one son, John Lee Park. He is survived by his wife, Gertrude Park, a resident of the Salem Homes in Elk Horn, seven children; Mary Esther (Wayne) Andersen, Atlantic, Dorothy (Charles) Knee of Little Sioux, Joshua (Leona) of Atlantic, Norma Jean (James) Marsh of Elliot, Harold (Joanne) Gering, NE, Paul (Hyung)Wuk) of Killeen, TX, Jude (Kim) of Great Bend, PA, one former daughter-in-law; Delores Hoover, 29 grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren, seven brothers and sisters; Luella (Ernest) Highlander of Falmouth, KY, Beulah (Lester) Tackett of East View, KY, David (Nancy) of Williamsburg, OH, Orville (Carolyn) of West Columbia, SC, Ethelynn Ledbetter of Brabington, FL, Joseph (Edna) of Pendleton, IN, Ralph (Doris) of East Peoria, IL, besides nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held April 19, 1995 at the Calvary Baptist Church, Walnut with Rev. Paul Hutchins, Rev. Harold Park and Rev. Jude Park officiating. Burial was in the Walnut cemetery. Casket bearers were: Bob Knee, Samuel Park, Angela Andersen, Ann Marsh, Harold Park, Jr. and Charles Park. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.