

Cloyce Bersford Long, 83

July 10, 1908 — Jan. 2, 1992

SHELBY — Cloyce Bersford Long was born in Pringhar, July 10, 1908. He was the son of Frank and Myrtle Conaway Long. He was one of three children in the family. He moved with his family to the Wood Lake, MN. area in 1916.

He married Mary Pettit Oct. 4, 1929 in Wood Lake. They lived there one year before moving to Redwood Falls, where he operated Long's Conoco along with being a dealer for boats and recreational vehicles. Mary was killed in a car accident in Mesa, AZ., Dec. 13, 1976.

He married Vera Edwards Graybill July 22, 1977 at Brookings, S.D. They spent their time between their homes in AZ. and Shelby. He was a member of the United Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge, both in Redwood Falls. The past 18 months he has been a resident of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan, where he died Jan. 2, 1992, at age 83 years.

He was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Mary and one brother, Russell Long. Survivors are his wife, Vera of Shelby; four step-children, Mrs Joe (Norma) Gahm of Co. Bluffs; Mrs Kenneth (Joyce) Berg of Shelby; Derald Graybill (Bette) of Shelby and Wayne Graybill (Jill) of Covington, LA.; one sister, Irene Raygen of Wood Lake, MN.; 10 step-grandchildren and 7 step-great-grandchildren; one niece, and one nephew and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 5, 1992, at the Knutson Funeral Chapel in Avoca with Rev. Vincent Nelson, officiating. Burial was in the Red Wood Falls cemetery, Redwood Falls, MN. Casketbearers were Floyd Sandgren, Joe Gahm, Derakd Graybill, Jeff Sandgren, Kenneth Berg and Wayne Graybill. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.