

# Family Group Record for Nels Christi JOHNSON

Husband		Nels Christi JOHNSON-[1225]	
AKA	Nils Christi JOHNSON		
Born	26 Aug 1860	Sjo, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Christened	28 Aug 1860	Eid kyrke, Fjelberg, Hordaland, NOR	
Died	8 Jun 1936	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN <sup>1,2</sup>	
Buried	10 Jun 1936	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN <sup>3,4</sup>	
Father	John Christi Johannson SJAA-[2097] (1824-1901) [MRIN:1110]		
Mother	Johanne Marie Roo ROEN-[3910] (1825-1915)		
Marriage	8 Dec 1884	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:321] 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10	

## Events

<sup>1</sup> Emigrated to America: 22 Apr 1861, Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN.

Wife		Gertrude Johnson FRETLAND-[16] <sup>11</sup>	
AKA	Jennie FRETLAND, Gerten JOHNSON, Jennie JOHNSON		
Born	3 Apr 1865	Little Turkey, , Chickasaw, IA	
Christened	28 May 1865	Saude Immanuel, Utica Twp, Chickasaw, IA <sup>12</sup>	
Died	16 Jun 1938	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN <sup>13, 14, 15</sup>	
Buried	19 Jun 1938	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Father	Johannes Jonson FRETLAND-[13] (1827-1903) <sup>16, 17</sup> [MRIN:5]		
Mother	Ingeborg Jensdotter YLVISÅKER-[14] (1829-1868)		
			

## Children

1	M	John Marius JOHNSON-[1226]	
Born	7 Sep 1885	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN	
Christened	26 Sep 1885	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Died	25 Nov 1946	Minneapolis, Hennepin, MN	
Buried	Nov 1946	Sunset Mem, Minneapolis, Hennepin, MN	
Spouse	Agnes Josephine JOHNSON-[1342] (1889-1940)	1915 - Minneapolis, Hennepin, MN [MRIN:347] 18, 19	
2	M	Eddie Johan JOHNSON-[1227] <sup>20</sup>	
Born	11 Apr 1887	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN	
Christened	8 May 1887	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN	
Died	20 Nov 1948	Portland, Multnomah, OR	
Buried	24 Nov 1948	Lincoln Mem, , Portland, OR	
Spouse	Nellie Regina HANSON-[6853] (1889-1982) <sup>21</sup>	20 Sep 1916 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:1919] 22	

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Children (cont.)		
<b>3</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>Edwin Jurine JOHNSON</b> -[1228]
Born	10 Sep 1889	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	21 Sep 1889	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	28 Jul 1967	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Buried	31 Jul 1967	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Alma Jeanette WISTE-[1344] (1889-1958)   16 Oct 1912 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:348] 23, 24	
<b>4</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Mable Alvina JOHNSON</b> -[1229]
Born	12 Oct 1891	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	8 Nov 1891	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	2 Jan 1933	Rochester, Olmsted, MN <sup>25</sup>
Cause of Death	Influenza	
Buried	Jan 1933	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Andrew O WISTE-[1348] (1888-1968) <sup>26</sup>   10 Sep 1913 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:349] 27	
<b>5</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Ida Patrina JOHNSON</b> -[1230] <sup>28</sup>
AKA	Ida Petrine JOHNSON	
Born	6 Feb 1894	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	4 Mar 1894	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	5 May 1993	Seattle, King, WA <sup>29</sup>
Buried	11 May 1993	Pacific Lutheran, Seattle, King, WA
Spouse	Lawrence Emil KNOTSON-[1236] (1895-1965) <sup>30</sup>   26 Jun 1920 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:322] 31	
<b>6</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Nora Genetta JOHNSON</b> -[1231] <sup>32, 33</sup>
Born	2 Apr 1897	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	19 Apr 1897	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	20 Jul 1994	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN <sup>34</sup>
Buried	23 Jul 1994	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Nordeen Vance TORGERSON-[1329] (1890-1967) <sup>35, 36</sup>   16 Jun 1917 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:343]	
<b>7</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Alma Lauretta JOHNSON</b> -[1232]
Born	4 Dec 1899	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	25 Dec 1899	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	23 Feb 1965	Crookston, , Polk, MN <sup>40</sup>
Buried	1 Mar 1965	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Never Married	
<b>8</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Orpha Amelia JOHNSON</b> -[1233]
AKA	Orphie Emilie JOHNSON	
Born	7 Sep 1902	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	28 Sep 1902	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	9 Jun 1936	Minneapolis, Hennepin, MN <sup>41</sup>
Buried	Jun 1936	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Earl LOVERING-[1351] (1861-Aft 1936)   14 Jun 1931 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:350]	
<b>9</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Alice Evelyn JOHNSON</b> -[1234]
Born	21 Apr 1905	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	28 May 1905	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	23 Oct 1951	Arlington, Arlington, VA
Buried	27 Oct 1951	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Clifford Thomas HULTIN-[1352] (1901-1963)   29 Jun 1929 - Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN [MRIN:351]	

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Children (cont.)		
<b>10</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>Clifford Orville JOHNSON</b> -[12364]
Born	18 Apr 1908	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	31 May 1908	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	26 Jul 1910	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN <sup>42</sup>
Buried	Jul 1910	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Never Married	
<b>11</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>Wallace Harold JOHNSON</b> -[1235]
Born	26 Mar 1910	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN
Christened	24 Apr 1910	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Died	29 Mar 1982	Adams, Adams Twp, Mower, MN <sup>43</sup>
Buried	31 Mar 1982	Little Cedar, Adams, Mower, MN
Spouse	Hazel Dorothy HAGEN-[6760] (1905-1979) 7 Jul 1934 - Kasson, , Dodge, MN [MRIN:1877]	

## General Notes (Husband)

Nels emigrated with his parents, from the Port of Bergen on 22 April 1861 on the sailing Bark "Hobe" (Hebe), mastered by Captain Hansen. The Bark Hobe, had made many crossing between Bergen and Quebec. A typical crossing on the Hobe, would include a crew of 11, with 160 steerage passengers and several cabin passengers. Probably, 1 baby would be born, and several passengers would die from debility and diarrhea.

Nels parents hired a man and a woman to help care for the children. The crossing took seven weeks from Bergen to Quebec. From Quebec, they traveled by cattle boat until they arrived at Chicago. In Chicago, they hired oxen to transport them to McGregor(now Marquette), Iowa, where they crossed the Mississippi River by ferry. At McGregor, they boarded a train for Osage, Iowa, where Nels' Uncle John Johnson Sjo awaited their arrival. From there they journeyed by ox cart to their destination in Adams. The family arrived in Adams on 24 June 1864, and promptly started the construction of a two room log home, with a small loft, on Section 8 of Adams Township.

Nels was the last of is siblings to be born in Norway. Nels was quite successful in the oil business as well as a prosperous farmer.

The Nels C. Johnson family was associated with the Little Cedars Lutheran Church, organized in Nov 1859. Each member of the family was christened, confirmed, married and buried from this parish. In 1884 Nels & Gertrude moved to a farm outside of Adams.

Nels retired in 1912 and moved into the Village of Adams. Nels was instrumental in the building of the Adams High School. Nels served as Director of the Farmers State Bank from its founding.

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OBITUARY: Nels C. Johnson, 75, Dies at Adams Home.

Nels C. Johnson, 75, died at 2:00 o'clock this morning at his home in Adams. He had been ill since last Fall. Funeral services will be held at 1 :30 Wednesday afternoon at the Little Cedar Lutheran church in Adams, the Rev. Brevik officiating. Burial will be in the church cemetery. Mr. Johnson came to Adams from Norway with his parents when he was 10 months old and made his home there ever since.=====

OBITUARY: Nels C. Johnson, son of John C. and Maria Johnson, was born in Bergen, Norway, August 28, 1860. At the age of ten months he, with his par-parents, brothers and sisters migrated to America settling near Adams, Mower Co. On December 8, 1884 he was united in marriage to Gertrude Fretland at Lyle, Minn. From the time of their marriage they engaged in farming in this community until in 1912 when they retired from the farm, moving to the Village of Adams, where they have since made their home. Since 1920 until the time of his death he has been engaged in business in Adams, being active in this work until the last few months. Three weeks ago he was confined to his bed and gradually became weaker until he passed away on Monday morning, June 8th. At the time of his passing he was 75 years, 9 months and 12 days. The deceased was always very much interested in religious and educational- projects and was instrumental- in the erection of the Little Cedar Lutheran Church, of which he was an active member. He was also in-influential in- the building of the High School in Adams and served as Director of the Farmers State Bank since it's foundation. In spite of his affliction of deafness he has always enjoyed mingling with his townspeople. His family was his first consideration at

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## General Notes (Husband)(cont.)

all times. He was never happier than when they were all gathered around the home fireside; and just two years ago all his children and grandchildren- were gathered together to celebrate their parents Golden Wedding Anniversary a privilege granted to but few families. The deceased is survived by his wife and eight children: John of Minneapolis; Ed of Stewartville; Edwin Wallace and Mrs. Nora Torgerson Adams; Mrs. Ida Knutson of Hannah, N. D.; Alma of Crookston, Minn. and Mrs. Evelyn Hultin of Washington, D. C. Three children have preceded him to the grave, Clifford, who died in infancy, Mabel Wiste, who passed away three years ago and Orphie Lovering, who passed away in January of this year. He is also survived by two sisters, Mrs. Ida Olson and Mrs. Nils Anderson, both of Adams, and thirteen grandchildren.

The funeral services on Wednesday afternoon were conducted by Rev. Alfred Brevik, who spoke words of comfort to the grief stricken family-

V. D. Halvorson sang a Norwegian solo "Bedre Kan Jeg ikke fare." A quartette composed of Mrs. Louis Slindee, Mrs. A. A. Knutson, V. D. Halvorson and Rev. Bevik "Abide With Me" and "God be with you Till We Meet Again."

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Edith A. Neus, PO Box 148, Adams, MN 55909

Janet Stephenson, 19520 - 630th Ave., Rose Creek, MN 55970

## General Notes (Wife)

[MARRIAGE: Johnson family Bible, (printed in Norwegian); In 2006, it was in the custody of Bishop Lowell Knutson, Seattle, Washington.

The sponsors for the Baptism of Gertrude Fretland were Ola Anderson, Knud Johnson, Gertrude Thorbjornsdatter and Sigrid Johnsdatter. Ola Anderson was also the sponsor for her brothers Jim and John Fretland Johnson. There is no know record of the whereabouts of Gertrude after the death of her mother Ingeborg in 1868.. Some of the possibilities are:

- (1) Her brother Jim Johnson went to live with his Uncle Ole Anderson in Chickasaw County, Iowa. It is quite possible that Gertrude and her brother John went to live with their Uncle Ole and Aunt Anna Anderson as well.
- (2) Since Gertrude was married in Lyle, Mower County, Minnesota, she may have lived with her Aunt Katrina Jensdotter Ylvisaker Northness and Katrina's son Nels Northness, who lived near Lyle.
- (3) Another possibility is that she lived with Gertrud Torbjornsdatter known as (Jane) Torbjornsdatter Vigdal nee Faaberg, born 1827, who emigrated 1861.
- (4) Another possibility is that she lived with Britha Halvorsdotter, also known as Britha Halvorsdotter Faaberg, Sorenson, Peterson Vigdal, born 1840, emigrated 1864.
- (5) One of her sponsors was Sigrid Johannesdotter, the wife of Atle Ylvisaker, b 1815. It is said that Sigrid carried more babies to the baptismal font than anyone else in the area (Chickasaw County).

Gertrude and Nels were married by Rev. Mueller Egan, MG. To her brother Jim Johnson and his family, Gertrude was known as Jenny. She was listed in the 1900 and 1910 Census as Jenny.

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OBITUARY: Mrs. Nels Johnson Laid To Rest Sun.

Gertrude Fretland Johnson, daughter of Johan and Ingeborg Fretland was born in Chickasaw County, April 5, 1865. Left an orphan at the age of three years, she made her home with relatives during her childhood and youth.

On December 8, 1884 she was united in marriage to Nels C.. Johnson of Adams, who preceded her in death in June 1936. They engaged in farming in this community until 1912 when they retired and moved to the village of Adams where they have resided up to the time of their death.

Mrs. Johnson enjoyed good health until three years ago when she was stricken with a heart ailment which gradually weakened her vitality and strength, but it was only a month ago that her condition became critical and all human power became of no avail, with those near and dear around her, she passed peacefully to rest. Death occurring Thursday, June 16, 1938 at 4 p.m., at the age of 73 years, 2 months and 11 days.

Mrs. Johnson was one of the many hard working sturdy pioneer woman, never to be found with idle hands even when health and strength failed her, she found the greatest joy and happiness in her church and family circle to whom she so unsparingly devoted herself to the care and welfare of each and everyone.

She is survived by the following children: John of Minneapolis; Ed J., Wallace, and Mrs. Nora Torgerson of Adams; Mrs. Ida Knutson of Fargo, North Dakota; Mrs. Evelyn Hultin of Washington, D.C.; and Alma of Crookston, Also 13 grandchildren, Two daughters, Mable Wiste and Orphie Lovering and one son Clifford have preceded their mother to the grave.

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## General Notes (Wife)(cont.)

Funeral services were conducted at the Little Cedar Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 19, with Rev. A. Breivik officiating. Mrs. Louis Slindee and Mrs. Ernest Anderson sang "Abide with Me" and "God be with You Till We Meet Again."

Six grandson, Harold Johnson, Vance and Roy Torgerson, Clifford and Orrin Wiste and Richard Johnson acted as pallbearers.

Interment was made in Little Cedar Cemetery.

Blessed be her memory.

LOCAL NEWS; Out of town people who attended the funeral of Mrs. N. C. Johnson were: Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson and son Harold and Mrs. Draeger of Minneapolis; Mrs. L. E. Knutson and children of Fargo; Alma Johnson of Crookston; Mrs. Clifford Hultin of Washington, D.C.; Harold Johnson and son Jimmie of Columbus, Ohio; Mildred Johnson of New Hampton, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Flatjord and Mrs. Martin Nelson of Jerico, Iowa; Mr. and Mrs. Carl Slindee and son and daughter, James Slinde, Mae Slindee all of Lawler, Iowa; Mrs. J. Attleson, Mr. and Mrs. B. Vigdal and daughter of Sande, Iowa; Mrs. C.C. Hagen of Kasson; Mr. and Mrs. Sever Simonson, Mr. and Mrs. Wahl, Mr. and Mrs. Dumond, Mrs. James Northness, Mr. and Mrs. Jacobson, Russell and Harry; Mr. and Mrs. H.B. Share and Mrs. S. Sorensen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eire and daughters, all of LeRoy and Mrs. L. Thune and Mrs. Susie Alrick of Albert Lea.

## Notes (Marriage)

The witnesses for this marriage were Johan Johnson and ? Fretland. The bride was registered as Jennie Fretland.

## General Notes for Child John Marius JOHNSON-[1226]

John lived in Minneapolis for nine years before he married Agnes. John had a responsible position with the Minnesota Grain Inspection Department.

1920 United States Federal Census 1920; John M Johnson, Age: 34 years,  
Father's Birth Place: Minnesota, Mother's Birth Place: Norway, Home rented:

Household Members:    Name    Age

John M Johnson 34

Agnes J Johnson        30

Harold C Johnson      3 3/12

Grace Heslop        27

1930 United States Federal Census, John M Johnson, Minneapolis, Hennepin, Minnesota, Age:        44

Household Members:    Name    Age

John M Johnson 44

Agnes J Johnson        41

Harold C Johnson      13

## General Notes for Child Eddie Johan JOHNSON-[1227]

Eddie was graduated from the University of Southern Minnesota. Eddie was a banker in Mable, Minnesota.

1910 United States Federal Census; Mable Village, Fillmore County, Minnesota, Eddie J Johnson, Age : 23, Single, boarding with Thomas and Karen Thompson.

1917 - World War I Draft Registration Cards, Eddie J Johnson, Mable Village, Fillmore County, Minnesota; Birth Date: 11 Apr 1887, Roll: 1675465.

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## General Notes for Child Eddie Johan JOHNSON-[1227](cont.)

1920 United States Federal Census, Eddie J Johnson, Newburg, Fillmore, Minnesota, Age: 33, Home owned, Eddie J Johnson 33, Nellie H Johnson 30.

Oregon Death Index, 1903-98, Johnson, Eddie J., Portland County, Death Date: 20 November 1946, Certificate: 3974.

## General Notes for Child Edwin Jurine JOHNSON-[1228]

OBITUARY: Edwin N. Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Nels C. Johnson, was born Sept. 20, 1889, in Adams Township. He was baptized and confirm-ed in the Little Cedar Lutheran Church of which he remained a lifelong member. He received his early education in the rural schools and later attending Southern Minnesota Normal College, Austin.

On Oct. 16, 1912, he was united in marriage with Alma Wiste-. To this union three children were born, Richard, Donald and Hazel. Edwin was engaged in farming three miles west of Adams Richard 1950, when they moved to Adams Village. He continued farm operations with his son.

Through the years he served the community in the capacities of financial church secretary, township board, school board and as village assessor for several years.

His health commenced failing the past year and since May of this year he had made his home with his son, Richard and family, at Rudd, Iowa. He passed away at his son's home July 28, at the age of 77 years, 10 months, 6 days.

Survivors include two sons, Richard of Rudd, Iowa, Donald of Adams; three grandchildren, Sharon, Joan, and Charles Johnson; one brother, Wallace of Adams; two sisters, Mrs. L. E.(Ida) Knutson, Seattle, Wash.,Mrs. N. V. (Nora) Torgerson,Adams.

Funeral services were held July 31, at Little Cedar Church, with Rev. Wayne Quibell officiating. Interment was at the church cemetery. Mrs. Herbert Osmundson and Mrs. Leleann Osmundson furnished the music. Casket bearers were Roy Torgerson, Clifford Wiste, Orrin Wiste, Selmer Weness, David Anderson, Arnold Anderson.

He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, Alma, in 1958, and daughter, Hazel.

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Larry & Sharon Ruth Enabnit, 701 W. Main St., Rockford, IA 50468-1105

Allison Ardath Enabnit.....

Adam Ivan Enabnit.....

Joann Kay Johnson, .....

Charles Richard Johnson, .....

Brian Jon Johnson, .....

## General Notes for Child Mable Alvina JOHNSON-[1229]

Mable taught school in the Adams vicinity. In 1916 Andrew and Mable moved to a farm three miles North of Adams.

OBITUARY: MRS. A. O. WISTE LAID TO REST.

The entire community was shocked Tuesday morning when it learned that Mrs. A. O. Wiste had passed away after an illness of only three days.

Mable Johnson Wiste was born at Adams, Minn, on October 12, 1891. She was baptized by Rev. G. M. Eggen and confirmed in the Lutheran faith by Rev. Wm. Rasmussen at the age of 14 years.

On September 10, 1913 she was united in marriage to Andrew O. Wiste and since then has resided on the farm home three miles west of Adams. To this union were born .two children, Clifford, age 17 and Orrin, age thirteen.

For the last nine years she has suffered patiently from diabetes- and without complaining. She fought it bravely. On the Saturday before her death she was stricken with influenza which quickly developed into pneumonia. On Monday evening she was taken to the Colonial Hospital in Rochester where everything possible was done for her that loving hands and human power could do. How-ever our ways are not God's, and death came to relieve all her sufferings at nine o'clock Tuesday morning at the age of forty one years, two months and twenty-one days. Besides her husband and two boys she is survived by her parent Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Johnson, four brothers; John of Minneapolis; Ed of Stewartville, Edwin and Wallace of Adams; and five sisters; Mrs. Ida Knutson of Hannah, N. Dakota who was unable to be here for the funeral, Nora Torgerson of Adams, Alma of Fargo, N. Dakota, Orpie Lovering of Hector, Minn., and Evelyn Hultin of Minneapolis. She also leaves a host of relatives and friends who with the family grieve her sudden passing

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The Little Cedar Lutheran Church of which she was a lifelong devoted member was filled to its utmost capacity Friday afternoon for the funeral services which were conducted by Rev. A. Breivik, who spoke words of comfort to the greif stricken family. Mrs. Albert Knutson and Mrs. Ernest Anderson sang beautiful duets.

Mabel as she was affectionately called by all who knew her was of a cheerful disposition, always patient and non com-[complaining in spite of the ailment she was forced to bear.

As a thoughtful daughter and loving sister, a faithful and devoted wife and mother she will be greatly missed. But her loss is her gain and she leaves a memory that will a beautiful thing to all those with whom she came in contact.

A precious one from us has gone, A voice we loved is still, A place is vacant in our home, Which never can be filled. God in his wisdom has recalled the boon his love has given, And though the body slumbers here, The soul is safe in heaven.

May the Lord comfort the grief stricken husband, her two boys, parents, bothers and sisters in this hour of sorrow.

Blessed, be her memory.

People from out of town who attended the funeral of Mrs. A. O. Wiste on Friday afternoon were; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Johnson and Harold of Minneapolis; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Johnson of Stewartville; Mr. and Mrs. Earl Lovering of Hector; Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Hultin of Minneapolis; Miss Mildred Johnson, of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Larson of Osage, Ia.; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Olson of Racine; Mrs. Carl Gravas and Herb Gremer of Lanesboro and Mr. and Mrs. Sever Simonson of Le Roy; Mr. and Mrs. L.E. Knutson of Hannah, N.D.; Alma Johnson of Crookston, Mr. and Mrs. Macholet, Mr. W. Lovering, Mrs. Dasher, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Lovering, Mr. and Mars. Dean Lovering, Mrs. Glen Lovering and Jennie Lovering, all of Hector; Mrs. Wolhaupt of Minneapolis; Mr. and Mrs. Orville Olson and A.T. Johnson of Fairfax, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Ray Carlson and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Anderson of East Chain, Minn.; Mr. and Mrs. Lane of Huntley, Minn.; and Mr. and Mrs. Albin Ackerman of Granada, Minnesota.

Minnesota Death Index, 1908-2002, Mrs. Andrew O. Wiste, Death Date: 3 Jan 1933, Olmsted County; State File Number: 009657, Certificate Number: 009657, Certificate Year: 1933, Record Number: 633963.

Clifford & Ella Wiste, 1401 4th St. SW, Apt 208, Austin, MN 55912-3285

Louise Ann Richardson, Rt 1, Box 4, McIntire, IA 50458

Diane Mattie Richardson, 9712 - 101 Pl, N Maple Grove, MN 55880

Robyn Lynn Kordick, 3801 N. Jupiter Rd., Richardson, TX 75082

Rochelle Ann Richardson, Rt 4, McIntire, IA 50458

Rebecca Joe Richardson, Rt 4, McIntire, IA 50458

Dean Orrin Wiste, 3609 - 60th St SW, Rochester, MN 50455

Mark David Wiste, Adams, MN 55912

Merritt Dale Wiste, Adams, MN 55912

Kimberly Jean Rizzo, Peguannock Ave., Peguannock, NJ 07440

## Medical Notes for Child Mable Alvina JOHNSON-[1229]

Mable suffered from Diabetes.

## General Notes for Child Ida Patrina JOHNSON-[1230]

In 1918, Ida resigned as private Secretary to the Probate Judge, Jackson, MN. In 1918 she accepted a position in the Jackson National Bank. In January 1920, Ida and her sister Alma, shared a home on 2nd Street in Jackson Village. Ida was working as a Stenographer in a Bank, Alma was working as a Stenographer in a County Office.

Ida and Lawrence were married at high noon, in the home of her parents in Adams. Lawrence and Ida moved to Fargo, ND after 1920.

Karen Ann Knutson-Bradac, 3221 French Lane Olympia, WA 98502

Katheryn Elsie Harper, 6507 - 145th St., Snohomish, WA 98290

David Eugene Knutson, 4223 Amber Ct. SE, Olympia, WA 98501

Kristine Alice Knutson, 1612 NE 185th St., Shoreline, WA 98155

Lowell Eugene Knutson, 8003 Sand Point Way, Seattle, WA 98115

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## General Notes for Child Ida Patrina JOHNSON-[1230](cont.)

Peter Reinhardt Knutson, 4602 SW Frontenac, Seattle, WA 98136  
Gerry Steffen, 3505 W. Government Way # 306, Seattle, WA 98199  
Richard Eugene Steffen, 4435 28th Place, W Seattle, WA 98199  
Christopher David Welch, 12932 SE Kent Kangley Rd., PMB 337, Kent, WA 98031  
Juliette Virginia Welch, 14403 SE 274th CT., Kent, WA 98042  
Johathan Robert Steffen, 4435 28th Place, W Seattle, WA 98199  
David Michael Steffen, 4435 28th Place, W Seattle, WA 98199  
Tara Ivy Tolles, .....

Trista Rae Tolles .....

Ryan Joseph Duran, 4900 Neblina Dr., Carlsbad, CA 92008

## General Notes for Child Nora Genetta JOHNSON-[1231]

ICENSUS: 1920- Adams, Mower County, Minnesota, ED 78, Pg 3, Li 61, Bergen St.

Nora was the sixth of eleven children. Lived her entire life in Mower County. Nora began playing the piano at the age of 10. She sang in the Little Cedars Lutheran Church choir for 40 years.

On 1 January 1919, Mrs. N.V. Torgerson was elected Vice-Chairman of the Adams Red Cross.

Nora was a widow for 25 years. After major surgery in 1984, she didn't want to live alone, so she moved to Adams Health Care Center. Her room was tastefully decorated with antique furniture and lamps from her home, unique dolls, bright flowers and an oil painting of her home place on the wall. She brought her piano with her and entertained in the activity room for the residents. She was always ready to volunteer her services at her church, Little Cedars Lutheran, where she was baptized, confirmed and married. She enjoyed the Scandinavian staples, Lefsa, Lutefisk. Her advice for living a long, healthy and happy life was to keep active. As president of the Resident Council, she participated in all of the daily activities and played piano. In December of 1992 she was quoted as saying, "I'm not prepared to meet the Lord, and the Devil doesn't want me, so I have to make the best of it here."

Minnesota Death Index, 1908-2002 Record

Name: Nora Jeanette Torgerson

Birth Date: 2 Apr 1897

Death Date: 20 Jul 1994

Death County: Mower

Mother's Maiden Name: Fretland

State File Number: 019418

Certificate Number: 019418

Certificate Year: 1994

Record Number: 2507364

(1) Joseph & Dorothy Smith, (winter) 1948 Prairie Dunes, Circle N, Lakeland, FL 33810;(summer) RR 1, 176 Reardon Rd., Queensbury, NY 12804

(2) David and Kay Smith, 143 LaHabre Lane, West Columbia, SC 29170

(3) Edward & Noreen Szmull, 125 Jenkinsville Rd., Queensbury, NY 12804

(4) Brian Charles Torgerson, 8412 Hawk Rd, Sanford, NC 27330

(5) James Dennis Torgerson, 55 Fairway Dr, Mound, MN 55364-8150

(6) Nordeen Vance Torgerson, (summer)200 Lewison St, Adams, MN 55909-0421; (winter) 2724 Innes Brook Dr., Lakeland, FL 33809

(7) Stewart Alan Torgerson, 17 Chimney View Lane, Springfield, IL 62707

(8) Roy L Torgerson, 1510 - 8th St. SE, Austin, MN 55912-3925

## General Notes for Child Alma Laurretta JOHNSON-[1232]

Alma was a Graduate of Austin High School and Mankato Commercial College.

In January 1920, Alma and her sister Ida, shared a home on 2nd Street in Jackson Village. Ida was working as a Stenographer in a



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## General Notes for Child Alma Laurretta JOHNSON-[1232](cont.)

Bank, Alma was working as a Stenographer in a County Office. For several years Alma served as Clerk of the Probate Court in Jackson, Minnesota.

Alma joined the Woman Army Corps on 10 June 1943. She was discharged on 16 August 1943.

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**OBITUARY:** Miss Alma L. Johnson, Noted Businesswoman, Dies here at Age 65. Miss Alma L. Johnson, who had retired on Feb. 1 after 31 years of service with Bridgeman Creameries of Crookston died unexpectedly Tuesday at her home in the Myrold Building in Crookston. Death was attributed to an apparent heart attack.

Miss Johnson, born Dec. 4., 1899, at Adams, Minn., had spent most of her life in the Red River Valley area of Minnesota and North Dakota.

She came here when Bridge-man Creameries was organized in Crookston some 31 years ago. Before coming to Crookston in 1933, she was secretary for the late R. J. deWaard at Armour Creameries in Fargo. N. D. and served in the same capacity here until Mr. deWaard's death last year.

She was an active member of Trinity Lutheran Church and has served as trustee of the church and secretary of the church council. She was also a member of the American Lutheran Church Women and was the first corresponding secretary of that organization following its reorganization here some years ago.

Since her arrival in Crook-ton, Miss Johnson was a member of the Crookston Business and Professional Women's Club. She served as president of the local club from 1944 to 1946. She had served in many other capacities in the local club including secretary. She was presently serving as historian and scrapbook chairman. She was assisting in preparations for the Business Woman's week to be held in March. The last entry she made in the club scrapbook was a feature article about her retirement which appeared in the Crookston Times on Feb. 1.

Miss Johnson had also served as state treasurer for the Minnesota Federation of Business and Professional Women's Club.

She was also a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Order of Eastern Star. She was in the Armed Forces in the WAAC from June 10, 1943 to Aug. 16, 1943 when she was discharged because of allergies.

Survivors include two sisters; Mrs. N. V. Torgerson of Adams and Mrs. L. E. Knutson of Seattle, Wash, and two brothers, Edwin and Wallace Johnson of Adams. The Torgersons are presently vacationing in Florida and have not been able to be contacted.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and three brothers.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 2 p. m. at Trinity Lutheran Church with the Rev. Ralph Tellefsen officiating. The body may be viewed Thursday afternoon and evening at the Stenshoel Chapel and at the church Friday one hour before services. The body will be taken Adams, Minn., where funeral services will be held. Burial will be in Little Cedar Cemetery at Adams in the spring.

## General Notes for Child Orpha Amelia JOHNSON-[1233]

In 1920 she was living at home.

**OBITUARY: MRS. LOVERING DIES SUDDENLY.**

The entire community was shocked Thursday evening when it learned that Mrs. Earl Lovering, a former resident, had passed away. Orphie Johnson Lovering was born at Adams, Sept, 7, 1902. She was baptized by the Rev. Wm. Rasmussen and after receiving religious instruction in the Little Cedar Lutheran Church, she was confirmed by Rev. C. B. Runsvold at the age of fourteen years. She was graduated from the Adams High School with the class of 1920, and continued her studies at St Olaf College, Northfield, where in 1924 she received her Degree in Home Economics.

Following her graduation she was for two years a member of the High School faculty at East Chain, Minn., after which she taught four- years at Hector, Minnesota.

On June 14, 1930 she was united in marriage to Earl Lovering of Hector, which place has since been her home.

On Jan. 4th she submitted to a major operation at St. Andrews Hospital, Minneapolis, and though the operation was successful, serious complications

developed which despite heroic efforts on the part of physicians and nurses, and fervent prayers of those near and dear, caused her death on Thursday, Jan. 9, 1936, at 5:15 P. M.

Orphie was at the time of her passing 33 years, 4 months, and 2 days. She leaves to mourn her early passing, her husband Earl Lovering of Hector, her parents Mr. and Mrs. N. C. Johnson, four brothers, John of Minneapolis, Ed of Stewartville, Edwin and Wallace of Adams, Four sisters, Mrs. Ida Knutson of Hannah, N. D., Mrs. Nora Torgerson of Adams, Alma of Crookston, Minn., and Mrs. Evelyn Hultin of Washington, D. C., who was unable to be here for the funeral. A sister Mable preceded her in death only three years ago. She also leaves a host of relatives and friends, who together with those nearest, mourn the loss of one whom it was a privilege to call a friend.

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## General Notes for Child Orpha Amelia JOHNSON-[1233](cont.)

Orphie was one of those individuals, all too rare, in whom was happily blended those virtues and characteristics which go to make up a personality that leaves an imprint upon each one who comes in contact, from the littlest child to the old among her friends. Whether in public service or Private contacts she dispensed her cheery smile and kindly deeds in such unselfish measure as to win for herself an immortal love and esteem. To her parents she was ever a model daughter, and although established in a home of her own, over which she presided with her rare grace and skill, she still felt the need of making frequent visits to the home of her childhood and early womanhood. The last of these visits was made during the holiday season just past, the memory of which rests as a benediction upon the loved ones now made desolate by her departure.

However great the loss may seem, there is left to those who mourn, the comforting assurance that, although pain-racked and fevered, she could and did with calm assurance lay hold of the saving grace found only in her lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, and firmly assert that she was even in the valley of the Shadow of Death, "Safe in the Arms of Jesus."

Orphie loving wife, daughter, sister and friend, has gone on before to the land of endless day where sickness, sorrow grief and loss never enter.

The Little Cedar Lutheran Church of which she was a former member was filled to its utmost capacity Sunday afternoon for the funeral services which were conducted by Rev. Alfred Breveik who spoke words of comfort to the grief stricken family.

Miss Orphie Lunde sang "Ivory Palaces" and quartette composed of Mrs. Louie Slindee, Mrs. A. A. Knutson, V. D. Halvorson and Rev. Breveik sang "Safe in the Arms of Jesus" and "God be with you till we meet again".

Her four brothers and Ralph and Dean Lovering acted as pallbearers.

Interment was at Little Cedar Cemetery.

Blessed be her memory. Contributed by a friend.

## General Notes for Child Alice Evelyn JOHNSON-[1234]

In 1920 Alice was living in parents home. Alice Graduated from St. Olaf College, Northfield, MN. where she was a member of the St. Olaf Choir and Alpha Delta Society.

After College she taught school at Little Fork and Minneapolis, MN. In 1935 Alice moved to Washington, DC; where she was employed by the Department of the Interior, American Battle Monuments Commission.

OBITUARY: 1905 - Mrs. Clifford Hultin -1951.

Mrs. Evelyn Alice Hultin, daughter of Nels and Gertrude Johnson, was born April 21, 1905, at Adams, Mmn.

She attended the public schools of Adams through the grades and high school. She received her religious instruction in the Lutheran parochial school of Adams and was confirmed in the Little Cedar Lutheran church in 1919. She attended St. Olaf, college, Northfield, majoring in Latin and English, and graduated with the Class of 1927. In college she was a member of the St. Olaf Lutheran choir and Alpha Delta society. She taught for several years in the high schools at Little Fork and Minneapolis.

In June, 1929, she was united in marriage with Clifford T. Hultin at Little Cedar Lutheran church, Adams. Two children were born to this union, Linda Solveig and Sonja Ruth, now 8 and 6-year-old. The family moved to Washington, D. C. in 1935 and Mrs. Hultin subsequently worked for a few years in the department of interior and the American Battle Monuments commission.

Mrs. Hultin's health commenced failing in January of this year. Her illness later became diagnosed as that of a lung malignancy. Death came to relieve her suffering on Tuesday, Oct. 23, at the age of 46 years, 6 months. and 2 days. In addition to her husband and two little daughters, she is survived by three sisters,

Mrs. Ida Knutson, Seattle, Wash., Mrs. Nora Torgerson, Adams, and Alma Johnson, Crookston, also two brothers, Edwin and Wallace Johnson, Adams.

Memorial services were held Wednesday, Oct. 24, at the Lu-ther Place Memorial church, Washington, D. C., of which Mrs. Hultin was a member. On Saturday, Oct. 27, funeral services were held at Little Cedar Lu-theran church, preceded by a family service at the Nordeen Torgerson home. Burial was in the family plot at the Little Cedar Lutheran cemetery. Rev. M. L. Witte officiated and music was provided by Mrs. Gerald Hanson and H. E. Lunde, who sang "God Be With You", and "Behold a Host Arrayed in White." Mrs., M. L. Witte was organist.

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Dr. John & Linda Solvig Kuehl, 1306 Monterey Ave., Norfolk, VA 23508.

## General Notes for Child Clifford Orville JOHNSON-[12364]

There is no record in the Ministerial book for the burial of Clifford Orville Johnson, but the burial book lists him in lot 125.

## General Notes for Child Wallace Harold JOHNSON-[1235]

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## General Notes for Child Wallace Harold JOHNSON-[1235](cont.)

In 1920 Wallace was living in parents home. He served in the US Armed Forces in France and Germany during WW II.

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OBITUARIES: 1910 Wallace Johnson 1982.

Wallace H. Johnson was born March 26, 1910, at Adams, Minn., son of Nels and Gertrude Johnson.

He attended Adams High School and St. Olaf college, Northfield, Minn.

In July of 1934, he was united in marriage with Hazel Hagen, at Kasson, Minn.

For 35 years he was manager of the Mower Co-op Service at Adams, retiring in 1975.

Wallace was a member of the American Legion having served with the armed forces during World War II. He also served as secretary of Little Cedar Lutheran Church and clerk and treasurer for the city of Adams for a number of years.

A lifetime resident of Adams, Wallace died Monday, March 29, 1982, at Adams Health Care Center, Adams, where he had resided for the past two years.

Preceding him in death was his wife in 1979.

Survivors include two sisters, Mrs. Nora Torgerson, Adams, Mrs. Ida Knutson, Everett, Wash.; two sisters-in-law, Elsie Hagen, Rochester, Mrs. Gladys Knutson, Austin; nieces; nephews.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, March 31, 1982, at Little Cedar Lutheran Church, Pastor Allen Gunderson officiating. Soloist was Jan Johnson, with Charlotte Anderson as organist. Interment was in Little Cedar Cemetery, Adams, with Adams Funeral Home in charge of arrangements. Pallbearers were Earl Weness, Clifford Wiste, Orrin Wiste, Gilbert Fasbender, Mike Rau, Louis Anthonison.

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