

# Deaths

## Erwin Alton Allen, 75

Erwin Alton "Win" Allen, 75, of Wapello, died at 3:40 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 23, 1980, at his home from cancer.

He was born Dec. 18, 1904, in Paradise, Utah, the son of Ethan and Margretha Teslie Allen. He and his family moved to Wapello in 1910.

He was married Feb. 13, 1931, to Isolene Tolman in American Falls. Their vows were further solemnized in the Logan LDS Temple in October 1934.

He was employed by Grimm Growers seed house, drove the Wapello school bus for two years during the 10 he served on the school board, and also worked as the school lunch supervisor for Blackfoot School District No. 55 from 1954 to 1970.

He was an active member of the LDS Church, serving in the Sunday school presidency, as ward clerk, scoutmaster and home teacher. He and his wife were dance directors for the MIA for more than 10 years.

He is survived by his wife, Isolene; three sons, Erwin L. Allen of San Diego, Calif., Louis Dean Allen of Las Vegas, Nev., and Kenneth L. Allen of Blackfoot; a daughter, Mrs. Richard (Darlene) Baird of Casper, Wyo.; a brother, Clyde Allen of Fairfield, Mont.; and 14 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

Funeral services will be at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Wapello First Ward LDS Church, with Bishop Wayne Brower conducting. The family will receive friends at Packham Mortuary from 7 to 8 p.m. Tuesday evening, and at the church in Wapello on Wednesday for an hour before services begin.

Burial will be in Grove City Cemetery.



# Funerals

## Erwin A. 'Win' Allen

Friends and relatives of Erwin A. 'Win' Allen gathered at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 26, 1980, at the Wapello First Ward LDS Church for funeral services conducted by Bishop Wayne Brower. Clyde Allen offered a family prayer and Eldon Scott gave the invocation.

A trio consisting of Vickie Jones, Leon Seamons and Audrey Porter sang "Whispering Hope," accompanied by Madge Lindsay.

Michael D. Baird, a grandson, gave the obituary and remembered particularly "spider water, plastic apples, fishing trips, horseback riding, and lots of fun with Grandpa."

Bishop Jay C. Mortensen praised him as a "worthy high priest, even though in his humility he felt that he wasn't. He had a determination to look on the bright side. He always felt 'fine,' even when he was in great pain. He had faith to sustain him."

Bishop Allen said, "The thing that's important in life is to learn how to live before we die. Greater importance needs to be given to people and relationships and gospel truths. Until that great resurrection we walk by faith and see through a glass darkly. Remember that we don't have to say goodbye, but only 'until we meet again.'"

Donovan Harrington then sang "I'll Walk with God," accompanied by Carol Call.

Ford Call said, "It seems that the Allens have always been in Wapello. And they always seemed to be together, doing things as a family. He loved to take photos and surprise his secret portrait subjects with copies. He never complained or said, 'Why me?' I feel sure that he fought the good fight and kept the faith."

Bishop Wayne Brower asked, "Who was the most special person in his life? You, Isolene. These speakers and services are a tribute to you, too. The characteristics he learned milking cows and baling hay — to enjoy humor and to handle frustration and anger — will now radiate from your life."

Richard Baird, accompanied by Carol Call, sang "The Lord's Prayer," and Bishop LeRoy Hadley gave the benediction.

Casket bearers were Erwin and Dayle Allen, Michael Baird, Lonnie Lewis, Ray Rosen and Marvie McCarroll. Honorary casket bearers were C.B. Hancock, Wilburn Marlow, Leo Drake, Theron Clark and Francis Nelson.

Floral arrangements were by members of the Wapello First Ward Relief Society, including Carol Call, Barbara Malm, Helen Hammond and Alice Merrill.

Burial was in Grove City Cemetery by Packham Mortuary, and Ellis Tolman dedicated the gravesite.