



Vandel Charles Johnson, Ph.D.

Okemos

Born November 17, 1913 to Charles and Mattie Johnson, Vandel Charles Johnson died May 6, 2009 at the age of 95.

He was a Naval Officer in the Pacific during WWII. He began his career as a teacher and coach at Centerville, SD and principal at Canton, SD. Later he became Superintendent at Flandereau, SD, Dean of Students at the University of South Dakota, and Chairman of the Department of Higher Education at Michigan State University, retiring in 1982.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and wife, Ruth Johnson. He is survived by his daughter, Julie Ann (Steven) Spencer of Richmond, MI; sons, Dr. Thomas C. (Brenda) Johnson of Yankton, SD, and Sen. Timothy P. (Barbara) Johnson of Vermillion, SD; 9 grandchildren; 6 great-grandchildren; and sisters, Ardis Dalbey of West Des Moines, IA and Avis Butler of El Cerrito, CA.

A memorial service to be held in South Dakota at a later date. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made to Faith Lutheran Church, 4515 Dobie Rd, Okemos, MI 48864, or MSU Higher Education, 300 Spartan Way, East Lansing, MI 48824.

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