John L. Sawyer, 66

Cherokee – John L. Sawyer, was born March 13, 1915 in Hampton, son of the Roy L. Sawyers. On May 27, 1947 he married Wilma Bond in Kahoka, Mo. He was a Veteran of the U.S.A.F. during WWII. He was employed at the Cherokee Mental Health Institute from 1951-1978. Retiring in July of 1978 due to poor health. He was a member of the 3900 club of Ham radio operators. He died Sunday, April 5, 1981 at his home at age 66 years. He had been a resident of Cherokee since 1951.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors include his wife; two daughters, Mrs Jim (Sandra) Hansen of Harlan; Mrs Sally Smith of Ketchikan, Alasak; two brothers, Roland L. of Boise, Idaho; and Roy Sawyer Jr. of Burlington; three sisters, Mrs Clifford (Zelora) Icenogle of Rock Falls, Ill., Mrs Viva Lewis of Chicago, Ill., and Mrs Barbara Metcalf of Burlington and by four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Tuesday, April 7, 1981 at Greenwood Funeral Home in Cherokee with Rev. Bob Davis, officiating. Burial was in Oak Hill cemetery in Cherokee.