

1983

# Warner Thomsen, 80

**AVOCA** — A second victim of an Aug. 26 gas explosion in Tennant has died.

Warner Thomsen, 80, died Sunday night (Sept. 4) of burns he suffered when a gas hot-water heater exploded in his home. His wife, Ruby, 77, died Thurs., Sept. 1. Both passed away at St. Joseph's Hospital in Omaha.

The couple's survivors include two daughters, Dorothy Sievers of Atlantic and Audrey Sizelove of Westminster, Calif.; two sons, Kenneth of Shelby and Richard of Council Bluffs; eight grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Thomsen is also survived by a sister, Margaret Woodcock of Lakewood, Calif.; and two brothers, Elmer Best of Richland, Wash., and Loyal Best of Denver.

Mr. Thomsen is also survived by one sister, Ellen Felgentreff of Bradenton, Fla.

Services for Mrs. Thomsen were held Sunday afternoon; for Mr. Thomsen, Tuesday morning. Both were held at Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home, Avoca, with burial in Shelby Cemetery.