

Gilbert Gunderson Olson

Gilbert was born on October 14, 1878 in Leonard, Cass, North Dakota. He was the second son born to Gunder and Raghild Olson. Gilbert married Dorothea (Dora) Kelppe. She was born in Norway, in 1871. They had no children. Gilbert died in August 12, 1929 and Dora on June 25, 1958. Both are buried in Zion Lutheran Cemetery, Sheyenne, North Dakota.

Headstone, Zion Lutheran Church Cemetery



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My mother wrote this of her uncle Gilbert's stay in Canada.....

In 1924, Ma's brother Ole left for the United States. In October, of that same year, Uncle Gilbert and Aunt Dora also left. Dora always had Gilbert carry an old coffee can (with a good lid) with him, wherever he went. This can was to spit in for he had TB on the lungs and they were afraid us children would pick up the germs.

It must have been a very lonely time for Ma since she had so many friends and relatives return to North Dakota, in a very short period of time. Grandpa Gunder, Uncle Ole and Uncle Gilbert would be so missed.