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Ellsworth, has taught his final class

Arranged his last bouquet

Pruned, tilled and planted His last garden

Bowled his last frame and left no pins standing

He has rounded third base and found his way home

And after many extra innings his season is at an end

Our Great Grand Pop now awaits our visit and waves us in

Around the diamond, to home plate

Through the straight and narrow lane

(avoiding the gutters on either side)

To His Celestial Garden

(The one with the waterproof African violet leaves.) Where Grandma and Grandpa expect to see a program

So be ready!

Live each day as if it were your last, and garden as though you will live forever. - William Kent, Clark Chamberlain, grandson

Life Sketch

(From the June and Hyrum Smith book) I was born 25 Jan 1908 at Paris, Bear Lake Co., Idaho to Marion Charles and Ella Shepherd Clark. Being two months premature, I weighed only 3.5 lb. I grew up in Georgetown, Idaho and experienced both farm duties on my Grandfather's farm and in my Father's mercantile store. My regular chores were chopping wood, carrying wood and coal into the house, and starting fires in our stoves on cold wintry mornings. I was the oldest of 7 children and attended 9 grades in Georgetown, then 3 years of High school at Paris, Idaho where I lived with my Shepherd grandparents. There I learned from my Grandpa Shepherd to love flowers. After graduating from Fielding High in 1927, I worked for a year doing farm work, then spent a year with my father selling woolen goods in Nevada.

In the fall of 1929 I entered the University of Utah, studying premed for 2 years, and then changed to science, graduating with a BS degree in Zoology and Botany and obtained a high school teaching certificate.

During my third year I met the Smith family in Capitol Hill Ward and dated Dorothy 2 years. After my 6-month LDS mission to the Western States (Colorado), we were married in the Salt Lake Temple 29 Aug 1934. My first teaching job was as principal of a 3-room school at Geneva, ID (at $90/mo. for 8 months). The next year I was superintendent of a rural high school in Victor, Idaho where I taught 2 years. We then moved to Parker, Idaho where I was Superintendent of a 2-year high school and grade school.

That school was consolidated with St. Anthony where I taught high school for a year, then Algebra in the Jr. High. I was there 6 years. The last year I was principal of the Jr. High.

In 1945 I moved with Dorothy and the 5 children to SLC and taught at Granite High. I also became a half-day counselor as well as teaching biology. After 29 years there I retired at age 65 in 1974. During my years at Granite I also worked as a Florist at Hotel Utah Flower Shop (15 years), part-time during school months and full time in summers.