Pioneer Clyde Cheney dies

Clyde Cheney, pioneer resident of Antelope Valley since 1896, died Saturday, June 9. He was stricken at the family homestead where he had lived and farmed for the past 81 years. He was 92 years of age at the time of death and was still active on the farm.

The Cheney family was one of the original well drilling outfits in this area during the early 1900's, drilling numerous water wells in various parts of Antelope Valley with the original horse power well rig.

Clyde Cheney drove one of the original stages bewteen Lancaster and Los Angeles. Starting in 1919 with a 7 passenger Hupmobile bus operated by Golden State Bus Co. He stayed in this business as a professional driver for 24 years. He retired from Greybound Bus Co. in 1943.

Family members include his wife, Brooke Cheney, in Lancaster; two sons. Richard and Thomas one son, James, died in 1971), a sister, Belle Garmire, 10 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. Services will be private.

The family requests anyone wishing to express sympathy do so by contributing to the American Heart Association, Greater Los Angeles Affiliate, Verdugo Division, 4741 Laurel Canyon Blvd., North Hollywood, California 91606.

Mumaw Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

