Poem - ''25 Years

Congratulations to you mom and dad,
For 25 years you've now been wed.
   Let's take time to reminsence,
   Of some of the things that led to this.
Twas, it seems, there was a bachelor,
Whose meals of beans and eggs had lost their flavor.
   Tis time he got a wife he thought,
   Martha Epp was the girl he sought.
She became his wedded wife,
To love and cherish through their life.
   The wedding was at the home of the bride,
   And as they stood there side by side.
Mother's wedding dress was of lavender hue,
The day Father and Mother said ''I do'',
   1931 was the Year, why should they wait,
   So June [illegible] the wedding date.
[illegible] farm they moved where they live now,
[illegible] the life they [illegible] enjoy most [illegible]
[illegible] a boy,
[illegible]
[illegible] now,
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] machine,
[illegible]
[illegible] mother's [illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible]
[illegible] they [illegible]
   Till her health came back again.
These were days we were quite sad,
But these are past for which we're glad.
   Tis other things have come your way,
   That were not always quite so gay.
But we were taught from day to day,
To trust in God to lead the way.
   Time was spent with God in prayer,
   On Sundays in church we were there.
These are things we're thankful for,
Yes these, and many, many more.
   So far they've had no death to mourn,
   Of children that to them were born.
But Grandfather Epp passed away last week,
His Heavenly Father he went to meet.
   In 52, your daughter was married,
   It seemed the draft board couldn't be parried.
So two years of I-W work were spent,
In Colorful Colorado where they were sent.
   In June came the news of a new grandson,
   So you too, Grandparents had become.
Then came the day for their release,
And a new arrival, which was a [illegible]
   [illegible]
   [illegible]