

May 23, 1995

*Gilbert
Erdmann, 92*

Gilbert (Turk) Erdmann, 92, Groton, died Monday, March, 20, 1995 at the Bethesda Home, Aberdeen. The funeral will be held this afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Presbyterian Church, Groton with Rev. Gerald Rife officiating. Burial will be in the Groton Union Cemetery under the direction of Paetznick-Garness Funeral Chapel, Groton.

There was a prayer service held last night at the funeral chapel.

Gilbert Erdmann was born January 28, 1903, at Groton to Albert and Bertha (Loerch) Erdmann. He grew up in the Groton area and attended school and graduated from Groton High School. As a young man, he enjoyed baseball and was a pitcher for the Groton team.

He attended Huron College and came back to Groton and operated a Standard Oil Station until he started farming in 1934. He married Estella Craig at Huron July 28, 1928. They farmed in the Groton area and then moved into Groton in 1966.

During his retirement he spent winters in Arizona and he has been a resident of the Bethesda Home, Aberdeen, since December 1993.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Groton. He enjoyed singing in the choir and served as an elder and other church offices. He was a member of the Groton Masonic Lodge; the Eastern Star, Diana Chapter, Groton; and the Elk's Lodge, Aberdeen.

He is survived by one son, Jerroll Erdmann, Groton; one daughter, Annette Rabasca, Wilmington, Del.; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren which includes two sets of twins.

The casketbearers are Jon Anderson, Richard Anderson, John Clark, Glenn Cooper, Douglas Goldade and Merle Hanson. Arliss Alberts is the organist and Mark and Mary Marion will sing a duet.

Ben Anderson and Wayne Quiggle will be the ushers.