

August 2, 1973

George Riggs ✓

Services for George E. Riggs, 87, Groton, were held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 28, at the Paetznick - Garness Funeral Chapel. Father Marvin McPhee and the Rev. Robert Carey officiated. Burial was in the Groton Union Cemetery.

Mr. Riggs died Wednesday, July 25, at St. Luke's Hospital.

Leslie Julson, soloist, sang "How Great Thou Art" and "The Old Rugged Cross," accompanied by Mrs. Kenneth Alberts, organist.

Honorary pallbearers were Albert Bahr, Howard Brooks, Ernest Habbeck, Walter Herron, Herman Julson, William Klaus, Lester Sippel and Val Von Wald. Active pallbearers were Eugene Abeln, Harvey Fliehs, Richard Fliehs, James Julson, Bertell Martin and Emil Rose.

George E. Riggs was born in West Hanson Township on October 25, 1885, to Ella and Miles Riggs. He attended West Hanson rural school and later Redfield and Aberdeen business colleges. As a young man he farmed on the home place with his father.

He was married to Edith Troy on June 16, 1916, at Webster. They farmed until his retirement in August, 1972, when they moved to Colonial Manor, where he resided until his admittance to the hospital on July 13.

Mr. Riggs served on the township school board and was assessor for West Hanson for many years.

The home of the Riggses was shared by relatives and others through many years.

He is survived by his widow.