

Harold Richardson

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Funeral services for Harold E. Richardson, 77, Groton, were held at 2 p.m., Wednesday, Sept. 11, 1985 at Wesleyan Church in Aberdeen with the Rev. Rick Griffin officiating. Burial followed at Houghton Cemetery in Houghton.

Mr. Richardson died on Sunday, Sept. 8 at the Americana Healthcare Center in Aberdeen.

The family has requested memorials to Aberdeen Wesleyan Church.

The casketbearers were all grandsons, Randy Richardson, Chicago, Ill.; Rollie Richardson, Seymour, Wis.; James Richardson, Minneapolis, Minn.; David Richardson, Seymour, Wis.; James Richardson, Brea, Calif.; Jake Rottenbacher and Jan Rottenbacher, both of Sturgis; Steven Cassels, Dublin, Calif.; Mike Cassels of Florida; Kyle Hoops, Green Bay, Wis.; Scott Richardson, Fargo, N.D.; Kolin Hoops and Kelly Hoops, both of Conde; Troy Larson and Jeff Larson, both of Andover; Chad Richardson and Brad Richardson, both of Aberdeen.

Music for the service was provided by organist, Doreen Davis, pianist, Joan Owens, and a duet of Lorna Griffin and Sharon Maynard. The ushers were Clarence Haskell and Charles Owens.

Harold Ernest Richardson was born December 22, 1907, near Houghton to James and Pearl Standish Richardson. He attended grade school in Shelby Township and graduated from Columbia High School in 1928. He attended Northern Normal for one year and received a teaching certificate. He taught country school in Leola, Shelby Township, Savo, Columbia District and Daly Corners for 10 years. He married Luretta Strang, who was teaching at the Columbia District, on May 25, 1932.

They moved to a farm in Shelby Township on Sand Lake Road in March of 1949 and farmed until 1972. In 1980 they moved to an apartment in Groton. He has been a resident of Americana Healthcare Center since January.

He was Shelby Township assessor and on the Shelby School Board for a number of years. He was a member of The Wesleyan Church in Aberdeen and a 50-year member of the Masonic Lodge of Aberdeen.

Survivors include his wife, Groton; four sons, James A. Richardson, Seymour, Wis.; David L. Richardson of Bellflower, Calif.; Howard E. Richardson, Fargo, N.D.; and John A. Richardson, Aberdeen; four daughters, Mrs. Dennis (Ruby) Larson, Andover; Mrs. Gene (Lila) Rottenbacher, Sturgis; Mrs. Don (Minerva) Cassels, Owatonna, Minn.; and Mrs. Ron (Maralyn) Hoops, Conde; one sister, Mrs. Edna Hostetter, Aberdeen; 32 grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, one daughter, one brother, and two sisters.