

CLIFFORD L FURNESS

1908 - 1996

Clifford L. Furness, 88 of Mesa, Az., formerly of Elkton and Caseville, died Tuesday, Nov. 19 in Mesa.

He was born Oct. 10, 1908 in Meade Township to the late Edward and Leah (Mousseau) Furness.

On Feb. 22, 1930, he was united in marriage to Marian Peterson in Bowling Green, Ohio. She preceded him in death on April 4, 1992.

After graduating in 1929 from Huron County Normal, Mr. Furness taught 13 years in rural schools of Sanilac and Huron counties. In 1942, the Elkton Board of Education hired him as their first full-time Industrial Arts instructor, a position he held for 28 years, retiring in 1970.

4-H and the Boy Scout programs were very important to him all through his teaching career. He also served on the Elkton Village Council, past president of the Elkton Rotary Club, charter member of the Elkton Lions Club, served on the Lake Township Board, member of Elkton United Methodist Church, Huron County Retired Teachers Association, and a past master of Frank W. Hubbard Lodge #476 F&AM. His recreation consisted of hunting, especially in Wyoming, fishing, golfing, bowling and leather craft work.

Surviving are one son, Harvey Furness of Bay City; one daughter, Lorraine (Dale) Faist of Mesa, Az.; four grandchildren; two brothers, Roy (Bessie) Furness and Stanford (Bernice) Furness, both of Elkton; and one sister, Dorothy (Floyd) Farver, also of Elkton.

He was preceded in death by one grandson.

Funeral services were conducted at the Elkton United Methodist Church, with Rev. Pete Crawford, pastor, officiating. Burial was in Riverside Cemetery. Champagne Funeral Chapel in Elkton handled funeral arrangements.

Memorials may be made to Elkton United Methodist Church.