

## **Carson, Norman**

Norman Theodore Carson, 91, finished a "good life" here and began an eternal life with Christ on Dec. 16, 2002. His earthly life began on Jan. 15, 1911 as a son to George and Effie (Crisman) Carson. He was a graduate of Port Hope High School, Huron County Normal School and Central Michigan University. Norman was a public school teacher for 40 years. His teaching career included New River, Davidson, Dobson, Huron Double Five, Port Hope and Kinde Schools in the Huron County area. In 1968, he married Dorothy Lehner and moved to North Star. He finished his teaching career at Ithaca Public Schools in 1973. He was an active member of the North Star Church of the Nazarene and a member of Gideon's International, giving many years of service to these organizations. Dorothy, his wife of thirty-two years, and Norman received special recognition from the governor for their faithful fourteen years of visitation to Schnepps Health Care Center. Norman loved to have a big garden, spending many hours growing a great abundance of fruits and vegetables so he could give it away. He also enjoyed visiting with friends and to challenge his memory by reciting poetry that he had learned as a child. Norman is survived by one sister, Leona Zinger; three step-children, Carolyn Kimmel and her husband, Harold, Melvin Lehner and his wife, Ruth, Clifford Lehner and his wife, Ginny; 11 grandchildren; 13 great-grandchildren; 5 great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy; five brothers, Herbert, Charles, Fred, George, and John; and one sister, Dorothea Purdue. Funeral services are scheduled for 11 a.m. Thursday, Dec. 19, 2002, at the Barden Funeral Home in Ithaca, with the Revs. R. A. Mosey and Doyle Perry officiating. Burial will be in the North Star Cemetery. Visitation will be from 2 to 4 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. tonight. Memorial contributions may be made to Gideon's International.