

William Reid John Brack

William Reid John Brack, 95, of Caro, passed away Friday, July 16, 2010 at Masonic Pathways in Alma. He was born Feb. 18, 1915 in Sault Ste. Marie, the son of Fredrick Brack and Jennie (Noble) Brack.

Mr. Brack graduated from Brimley High School in 1933. He moved to the Pigeon area in the early 1940's where he worked on the Richmond farm. He also worked for Gulf Oil and Pigeon Cooperative Elevator. Mid-career found him employed by the Smith Oil Company in Caro. In addition, he worked as a custodian at Caro United Methodist Church where he continued as "keeper of the keys" into his retirement.

His passions were his family, gardening, music and visiting people. Reid and Marion sang in the Bay Chorale for a couple of years during the early years of his retirement. He was always ready to attend a concert involving his girls or any of his musical friends, Glenn Eastham and Nancy and Susan Reims. Most anything musical drew his attention as a chance to "get in the car and go." Reid loved all types of gardening, but concentrated on flower gardens in his retirement. He received Caro Garden Club honors for his lovely summer floral displays surrounding his home on Pearl Street. Always one to lend a helping hand, Reid called on many friends who were ill or just in need of a friendly visit. All who knew Reid will miss him.

Mr. Brack attended Caro United Methodist Church and participated in choir and the Sociables group. Reid was a life member of Mt. Moriah Masonic Lodge No. 226 in Caro for 64 years. He served as Grand Patron for Kedron Chapter No. 33, Order of the Eastern Star, while his wife was chapter pianist. Reid was also president for two groups, the Caro Band Boosters and the Watrousville-Caro Historical Society, the latter of which he was a lifetime member. He enjoyed being involved in these groups during his lifetime.

Reid was in the loving care of Masonic Pathways staff during the past six years. The family cherishes their kindness shown to Reid and family members as well as their dedication to elder care.

"Reid" is survived by his daughters, Jean Brack Hudson (Keith) of Greenville and Cheryl Brack Mulford (Tracy) of Grand Rapids; nephew, Fred Beach (Ruth) of Ovid; grandnieces, Elizabeth and Carolyn; grandnephew, Evan; and close family cousins. Many nieces, nephews and families from Marion's side also share in Jean and Cheryl's loss.

Predeceased by his parents, his sister Frances (Brack) Beach; and his loving wife of 52 years, Marion (Lockwood) Brack.

Per Reid's wishes, cremation has taken place with burial to be in the Indianfields Township cemetery.

A celebration of life service will be conducted at 11 a.m. Tuesday, Aug. 24, 2010 at the Caro United Methodist Church. Visitation will precede the service at 9:30 a.m. and a luncheon will follow.

A second service will be conducted at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 26, 2010 in Doig Chapel at Masonic Pathways.

Memorials may be made to Masonic Pathways of Alma, the Caro United Methodist Church music fund or Hospice of Michigan.