



Norris G. Pilling, 71

Walnut — Norris Grant Pilling was born Nov. 5, 1906 in Macedonia, son of William and Anna Lewis Pilling. He attended the Macedonia school. He married Grace Long in Co. Bluffs on May 26, 1927. This union was blessed with two sons. He worked for the Northwestern Bell Telephone Co. and the Macedonia Telephone Co., and moved to Walnut in 1940 to be superintendent of the Walnut Telephone Co. He retired in April, 1976. He was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America and the Iowa Independent Telephone Assn. He was fire chief for 27 years, having belonged to the Walnut Volunteer Fire Department since moving to Walnut. He has been presented the Good Neighbor Award by Ak-Sar-Ben in 1976. He died Dec. 2, 1977 in Cass County Memorial hospital in Atlantic at age 71 years and 28 days.

Survivors include his wife - Grace, two sons - Ned of Belle Plaine, Minn., and Gary of Orange City, two granddaughters, Felicia and Angela Pilling of Belle Plaine, one sister - Mrs Jim (Lorraine) Henry of Carson, five brothers - Vernon Pilling of Omaha, Joe Pilling of Emerson, Harvey, Paul and John Pilling of Macedonia.

A prayer service was held Monday morning, December 5, 1977 at Berthusen-Knutson Funeral Home in Walnut, with Rev Donald Johnson of the Macedonia Methodist church, officiating. Firemen in uniform attended as a group and formed and honor guard.

Funeral services were held Monday, Dec. 5, 1977 in the Macedonia Methodist church, with Rev. Johnson, officiating. Burial was in the Macedonia cemetery with William Eslick, Melvin Sievers, Craig Woltmann, Edward Leazenby, Frank Griffith, Darold Larsen, Phil Casey and Orvy Koos serving as casketbearers.