

Leonard Thompson, 81

Oct. 4, 1917 – April 6, 1999

SAC CITY – Leonard LeRoy Thompson of Sac City, was born Oct. 4, 1917, in Afton, to Christian Henry and Dora Helena (Sievertsen) Thompson. He was baptized and confirmed in the Methodist Church in Irwin. He graduated from Afton High School, attended Creston Jr. College, received his B.A. from Parsons College and his M.A. from Colorado State College of Education. Prior to World War II, he taught school in Carson. He entered the U.S. Navy May 19, 1942, and was honorably discharged Nov. 8, 1945, with the rank of Lt. Senior Grade, USNR.

Sept. 12, 1947, he married Phyllis Barratt in Irwin. The couple lived in Irwin, Union Twp, LeMars, Dunlap, Rockwell City and Sac City. He was employed as Superintendent of Schools, retiring in October of 1979. He was a member of Kiwanis and the United Methodist Church. He died April 6, 1999, at his home in Sac City at age 81 years.

He was preceded in death by his three brothers, Perry, Walter and Gordon, and three sisters, Elsie, Clara and Helen. He is survived by his wife, Phyllis; two sons and their wives, William (Patrice) of Alta and Robert (Susan) of Eau Claire, WI; eight grandchildren, Bob's children, Megan and Kyle Thompson and Bill's children, Dan, Sarah, Aaron, Nate, Joe and Kyle Thompson, and his sister, Edna Rabon of Williston, ND.

Funeral services were held April 10, 1999, at the United Methodist Church in Sac City, with Rev. Karl Giese officiating. Burial was in the Oakland Cemetery, Sac City. Casket bearers were William Thompson, Robert Thompson, Daniel Thompson, Sarah Thompson, Kyle Burriss and Aaron Thompson.