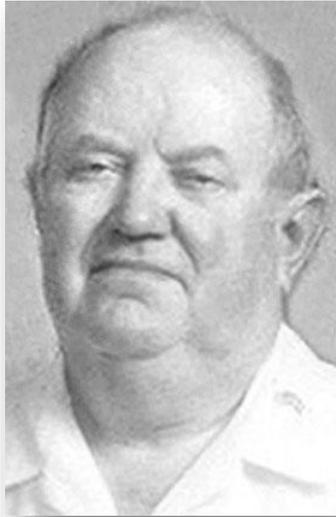


Robert L. Thompson

Robert L. Thompson, 77, of Eau Claire died Saturday, Nov. 7, 2009, at Sacred Heart Hospital with his family by his side.



He was born on March 24, 1932, in the Norwegian log house on the family farm in Davis Valley, town of Dover, Buffalo County, a son of Gilbert and Grace (Erickson) Thompson.

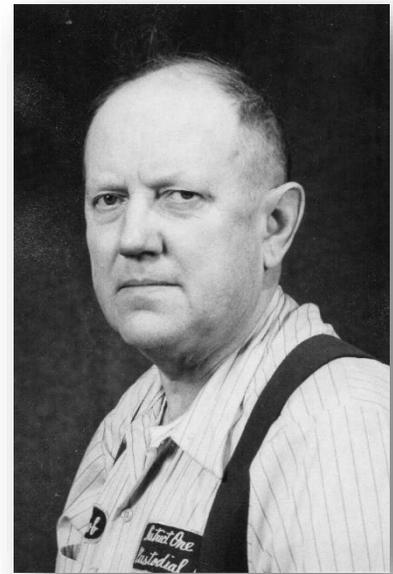
He served in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Missouri when it ran aground going to Cuba, and was honorably discharged on Feb. 15, 1950.

Robert married Janice M. Block, his wife of 55 years, on Sept. 25, 1954, in Eau Claire.

He worked 25 years as a custodian for CVTC, retiring in 1990.



Robert loved to share his faith with others, and was a member of Chippewa Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church in Altoona. He was a proud member of the Eau Claire Lodge #112 F&AM, a 32nd degree Mason of Eau Claire Scottish Rite, Valley of Eau Claire.



He enjoyed collecting and repairing antique clocks and watches, and playing the organ and harmonica for others.



Robert is survived by his wife, Janice; two sons, Robert L. Thompson II of Eau Claire and Dr. David J. (Dr. Margarita) Thompson of Livonia, Mich.; two granddaughters, Yana and Kalina Thompson; two sisters-in-law, Marge Thompson of Eau Claire and Thelma Thompson of Chicago; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents; two brothers, Chester and Gordon Thompson; and his sister and brother-in-law, Gladys and David Garton.

Memorial services will be held at 11 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 11, 2009, at Chippewa Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church, 919 10th St., Altoona. Pastor Charles A. Byrd will officiate. Visitation will be from 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesday at Lenmark-Gomsrud-Linn Funeral Home, and one hour prior to services Wednesday at the church. A Masonic service will be held at 6 p.m. Tuesday at the funeral home. Military honors will follow services Wednesday at the church.

To express condolences online, please visit www.lenmarkfh.com.

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