

Dale Thorngren, 76

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Dale Elmer Thorngren, 76, of 3115 Squalicum Parkway, Bellingham, Washington, died Jan. 3, 1992, at St. Joseph Hospital, Main Campus. He was born Jan. 19, 1915 to Elmer and Lillian Thorngren in Boxholm. Graduated in 1938 from Iowa State University and was a Navy Ensign during WW II. Worked as County Extension Director throughout Iowa; and then as sales manager and as County Extension Director throughout Iowa; and then as sales manager and nutritionist for Squealer Feed Co. in Harlan.

Later he worked for a U.S. Agency for International Development as Agriculture Adviser in Sumatra, Indonesia and Laos; as Provincial Adviser in Korea; was Chief of Agriculture Division for Region III during the Vietnam War. While there he started "Miracle Rice" production and started procedures for elimination of Agent Orange.

He was agriculture adviser in Ghana, and in Liberia he was second in charge of contract teams in agriculture engineering, public health, education and a 21-man hospital team.

After retirement lived in Scottsdale, AZ., and Victoria, B.C., before moving to Bellingham 2 1/2 years ago.

He married Margaret Gulley Williams of Lancaster, KY., in Bellingham in 1990.

He was preceded in death by his second wife, Patricia, in 1988 and also preceded in death by his parents; one sister, and one brother. He is survived by his wife, Margaret of Bellingham; son, Peter Harris of Phoenix, AZ.; daughters, Suzanne Allen of Denver, CO.; and Janice Pooley of Price George, B.C.; 8 grandchildren; 2 great-grandchildren; two sisters, Frances Svensen of Milwaukee, WI., and Marjorie Barber of Bellingham; nieces and nephews.

Private memorial services were conducted by the family. Cremation by Greenacres Crematorium with inurnment in Arizona. Memorials may be sent to St. Luke's Foundation, P.O. Box 5641, Bellingham, WA. 98227. Arrangements by Greenacres Funeral Home.