

Ed and Edith Stamp

PERSIA - Frederick Hans Edward "Ed" Stamp, son of Peter Ferdinand and Emma (Martens) Stamp, was born Sept. 16, 1900, in Persia. He was raised in Persia and attended Center School, located nearby.

Edith Louise Stamp, daughter of John Martin and Hilda O. (Erue) Bauer, was born Nov. 20, 1903, in Millersburg. She was raised in Millersburg, and after high school, attended the University of Northern Iowa (State Teachers College). She graduated in 1923, having earned her teaching certificate. She taught for four years in Millersburg, and then moved to Persia, where she taught for two years before her marriage.

June 26, 1929, the couple married in Millersburg.

They farmed near Persia for 40 years. Ed and Edith lived in Persia until 1995, when they became residents of the Baptist Memorial Home in Harlan. They were members of Trinity Lutheran Church in Persia. Ed had held many different church offices. He was active in the Farm Bureau and sat on the Harrison Mutual Insurance Board. He also served as director of the Persia Co-op. He died Jan. 7, 1998, at the Baptist Memorial Home at age 97 years, three months and 21 days. Edith had been active in the church circles and Ladies Aid group. She was a charter member of the Friendly Neighbor Club, and was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary. She died Jan. 17, 1998, at Myrtue Memorial Hospital at age 94 years, one month and 28 days.



Preceding Ed in death were his parents; three brothers, John Stamp, Harry Stamp and Ted Stamp; two sons, W. Fred Stamp and James Stamp; and one daughter-in-law, Marilyn Stamp. Survivors include his wife, Edith; one son, John (Betty) Stamp of Persia; one daughter, Joan (Stanley) Martens of Portsmouth; one brother, Bill (Coralys) Stamp of Persia; one daughter-in-law, LeNeita Stamp of Fort Collins, CO; one sister-in-law, Evelyn Stamp of Preston; 16 great grandchildren, 37 great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Preceding Edith in death were her parents; her husband, F.H. Ed Stamp; three sisters, Ruth, in infancy; Marie Cable and Laurie Pope; two sons, W. Fred Stamp and James Stamp; and one daughter-in-law, Marilyn Stamp. Survivors include one son, John (Betty) Stamp of Persia; one daughter, Joan (Stanley) Martens of Portsmouth; one daughter-in-law, LeNeita Stamp of Fort Collins, CO; one brother-in-law, Bill (Coralys) Stamp of Persia; one sister-in-law, Evelyn Stamo of Preston; 16 grandchildren; 37 great grandchildren; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services for Ed were held Jan. 10, 1998, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Persia, with Pastor Dave Kuhnle officiating.

Funeral services for Edith were held Jan. 20, 1998, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Persia, with Pastor Dave Kuhnle officiating.

Honorary casket bearers for Ed and Edith were Linda Stamp, Amy Stamp, Deb Morgan, Alleta Baltes, Shanon Stamp and Pat Andersen. Casket bearers were David Stamp, Lynn Martens, Terry Martens, Steve Martens, Bob Stamp, Mark Stamp, Jeff Stamp, Jack Stamp, Dean Stamp and Kurt Stamp. Burial was in the Valley View Cemetery in Persia. Burmeister Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.