

Rev. Stanley Carlsen, 83

Feb. 18, 1923 - Nov. 1, 2006

DES MOINES — Rev. Stanley L. Carlsen was born Feb. 18, 1923, in Royal, the son of Niels and Martha (Neve) Carlsen. He grew up in Blair, NE, where he attended Dana College. He received his Masters of Divinity from Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN.

Stanley married Mildred J. Romer July 12, 1947, and two children were born to this union. He was pastor at Lutheran Churches in Trufant, MI and Shelby before serving four years as a chaplain in the United States Air Force. After military service, he was pastor in Mason City and Charles City before going to Des Moines where he was pastor at Central Lutheran Church until his retirement in 1988. He died Nov. 1, 2006, of natural causes at Taylor House Hospice, Des Moines, at age 83.

Rev. Carlsen was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Mildred of Des Moines; daughter, Anna L. (Jeff) Toy of Whittier, CA; son, Noel (Angela) Carlsen of Murrieta, CA; brother, Neils (Natalie) Carlsen of Somerfield, FL; sister, Eunice (Homer) Larsen of Cedar Falls; grandchildren, Erica, Theodore and Karrie Carlsen; great-grandchildren, Peyton Carlsen, step grandchildren, Rosa and Karla Rubi and Carlos A. Cabanas; and step great-grandchildren, Isaac and Isaiah Cabanas.

Funeral services were held Nov. 6, 2006, at Windsor Heights Lutheran Church in Des Moines. Burial was in the Glendale Cemetery Iles Westover Chapel in Des Moines, in charge of arrangements.