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Robert Harvey Richter, 72 / May 21, 1919 – Aug. 20, 1991

WALNUT – Robert Harvey Richter was born in Anita, May 21, 1919. He was the only child of Harvey and Emma Wagner Richter. He attended school in Anita and graduated in 1935. In 1936, the family moved to the Walnut area.

He married Alice Mertz July 30, 1940 at Maryville, MO. They made their home in the Walnut area. They were the parents of two daughters, Linda and Barbara. He was involved in many community activities including the First Presbyterian Church in Walnut, Grove Masonic Lodge #492 in Marne and the Elks Lodge in Atlantic. He has served as a Layton Twp. Trustee, member of the Board of Directors of the Peace Haven Association and also was a past 4-H leader. He retired from farming and moved to Walnut in 1985. They had been married for more than 51 years. He died at his home in Walnut, Aug. 20, 1991, at age 72 years and 3 months.

He was preceded in death by his parents. Survivors are his wife, Alice; two daughters, Linda Sieck of Walnut and Barbara (Robert) Lytle of Atlantic; 5 grandchildren; 1 great-granddaughter and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Aug. 24, 1991, at the First Presbyterian Church in Walnut with Rev. Raymond J. Molander, officiating. Burial was in the Walnut cemetery. Honorary casketbearers were Maurice Croghan, Vernon Paasch, Alfred Koll, Albert Schirm, Lee Sievers, Darrell Sunderman, and Kenneth Fredrechsen. Casketbearers were Jeff Nielsen, Adam Lytle, Richard Richter, Kennard Mertz, John Woltmann, Brant Steffens, Greg Mertz, and Dennis Mertz. Knutson Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

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