

Floyd Rhodes, 85

March 3, 1929 - Sept. 27, 2014

LEE'S SUMMIT, MO —

Floyd W. Rhodes, the son of Frank and Anna Rhodes, was born on March 3, 1929 in Greenfield. He belonged to the Greenfield Methodist Church and graduated from Greenfield High School.

September 7, 1948 Floyd was united in marriage to Mary M. Lahey at St. John's Catholic Church in Greenfield. Three children were born to this union: Jane, Dennis and Mary Lynn. After their marriage, Floyd worked for the Greenfield Free Press, then the Guthrie Center newspaper. In 1953, Floyd and Mary moved to Avoca, where Floyd became the foreman for the

Journal Herald Newspaper. They joined St. Mary's Catholic Church. Floyd later served as the City Clerk in Avoca for many years, before retiring in 1991. Floyd taught Mary to play golf, and they spent many happy hours together at the Avoca Golf Club, joining "The Nerd Herd" for a number of years. They played bridge in a couple's club. They always enjoyed heading south to Kansas City to watch sports and music activities in which their grandsons participated. Floyd belonged to the Rotary Club, serving a term as President, and the Avoca Community Club. The light went out of his life when Mary died on June 1, 2007. He moved to Peace Haven in Walnut, then to John Knox Village in Lee's Summit, MO. This is where he died on September 27, 2014 having attained the age of eighty-five years, six months and twenty-four days.

Floyd is survived by his children: Jane and husband Joseph Henley of Lee's Summit, MO; Dennis Rhodes of Lake in the Hills, IL; and Mary Lynn Geisler of Overland Park, KS; his grandsons, Spencer Geisler and his wife Karen of Lenexa, KS; and Tyler Geisler and his wife Allison of Merriam, KS. Other survivors include his brothers-in-law, Franklin Ruliffson of Iowa City; Bob Lahey and his wife Joyce of Council Bluffs; and Don Funderburk of Omaha, NE; sisters-in-law Helen Boulder of Fontenelle; Angela Pullen and her husband Duane of Creston; Fern Lahey of Iowa City; and Shirley Lahey and Dolores Lahey of Greenfield; many nieces and nephews and other relatives and wonderful friends.

Rev. Thomas Dooley celebrated the 10:00 a.m. Mass of Christian Burial on Wednesday, October 1, 2014 at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Avoca. Music was provided by Donna Muell and St. Mary's Choir. Agnes and Eldon Riesgaard were honorary casket bearers. Serving as casket bearers were Spencer Geisler, Tyler Geisler, Robert Ruliffson, Tom True, Bob Hegna, and Larry Friederich. Burial was held at Graceland Cemetery in Avoca.



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