



Clarence Blomquist

January 23, 1913 - January 23, 2008

KINGSFORD - Clarence H. Blomquist, 95, of Kingsford, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, Jan. 23, 2008, at Dickinson County Memorial Hospital.

He was born on July 10, 1912, in Metropolitan, the son of the late Matthew and Sanna (Gustafson) Blomquist. Clarence was in the first graduating class at Felch High School, the class of 1929.

Clarence married Carolyn Busse on June 17, 1944. The couple farmed and logged until 1957. Clarence then attended the University of Wisconsin-River Falls for two years and transferred to Northern Michigan University, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1961.

He received his master's degree in 1970 from NMU. Clarence taught in Hermansville, Felch, Channing, and North Dickinson Schools, before retiring in 1978. After retiring, Clarence moved to Kingsford.

In the 1950s, Clarence served as the justice of the peace for Felch Township. He was a former member of Zion Lutheran Church in Metropolitan. He and Carolyn enjoyed traveling and visited six different continents. They were also in a bowling league. Clarence was a current member of First Covenant Church. He adored his great-grandchildren.

Clarence is survived by his wife of 63 years, Carolyn; two children, Gay (Wayne) Funderburg of Quinnesec and Gary (Cheri) Blomquist of Reno, Nev.; five grandchildren, Carianne Blomquist, Adam Blomquist, Scott Blomquist, Hope Aderman, and Tim Funderburg; three great- grandchildren, Isaac, Melody, and Grace Aderman, and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by two sisters, Lydia Blomquist and Signe Nygard, and six brothers, Edwin, Arvid, Gustav, Henry, William, and Bernard Blomquist and two grandchildren, James and Faith Funderburg.

Visitation will be held tonight from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home in Iron Mountain.

A time of sharing will be held at 7 tonight at the funeral home.

There will also be a visitation on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m. at First Covenant Church. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. at the church. Rev. Peter Erickson will officiate.

Burial will be in Dickinson County Memorial Gardens.

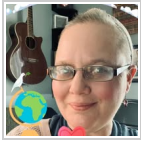
Pallbearers will be Bruce Aderman, John Cootware, Bill Schneider, Chuck Schneider, David Siegler, and Dorn Siegler.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial will be established in his memory.

Condolences to the family of Clarence H. Blomquist may be expressed online at www.ernashfuneralhomes.com.

The family has entrusted the Erickson-Rochon and Nash Funeral Home with the funeral arrangements.

Tribute Wall



“ Hi, I believe I am a relative of Clarence's, if the brother Bernard is Dr. Bernard Blomquist of S.I., New York, that is my grandfather. I wanted to share a song I recently heard by artist Jewel featuring Dolly Parton, called 'I Am My Father's Daughter', as a listening suggestion. Please try to find it and give a listen on YouTube or Spotify.

Sarah Calderon - August 13, 2023 at 07:05 PM

MO

“ I enjoyed being able to have a special Thanksgiving/Isaac birthday dinner with you and renew our relationship with you both at Wayne and Gay's in November. Once again Grandpa Blomquist, as we always called him, showed his sense of humor with the great grandchildren and you could see how much he enjoyed them. We have many memories of times spent together. We will be praying for each of the family as they adjust.

Mike and Judy Ostrander (Wayne's sister)

Mike & Judy Ostrander - January 30, 2008 at 12:00 AM

LE

“ Aunt Carolyn and Family and Friends,

We are so sorry to hear about Uncle Clarence's passing. He was my grandmother Lydia's brother, but just six years older than my mother Edith. I had a chance to get reacquainted during the last two family reunions.

*Our thoughts are with you,
Luci and Merle Ebbert*

Luci Ebbert - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

DK

“ Our Deepest Condolences go out to the family. I am Lydia's great grand daughter. I wish we lived in the area so we could have known him better. You are all in our thoughts and prayers.

Danielle, Jim & James Kessler - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ I remember the summers I spent working on the farm with Uncle Clarence. We put up hay, shocked wheat in the fields and even had time to go down to the stream and fish! Uncle Clarence was a hard worker but his sense of humor always made the work seem lighter. I have many fond memories of the old farm in Felch. And who could forget that bumpy ride from Iron Mountain to Felch in the 50's before the road was paved! Clarence always had a kind word for everyone, a wonderful sense of humor and a strong dedication to God. He will be missed.

John Mleziva - January 29, 2008 at 12:00 AM

MC

“ I am so sorry to hear about Clarence passing. He was my dad's (Olaf's) first cousin. They shared many good times together growing up and through the years. I got to see Clarence more over the past several months as we moved mom into Evergreen apartments. He was such a dear, dear man. He came to my father's funeral in December and seemed to be doing so well. He was such a sweetheart. I will really miss him, but will look forward to seeing Carolyn whenever we get to town (my mom lives just around the corner at Evergreen)...xxoo Margo Blomquist Cousins from Marshfield

Margo (Blomquist) Cousins - January 27, 2008 at 12:00 AM