



## Gerald Edwin Rasmussen

June 30, 1920 - June 12, 2011

Jerry Rasmussen passed away on June 12, 2011, due to multiple health issues. Jerry was born on June 30, 1920, in Delmar, IA, to Lige and Lucy Rasmussen. He was the third of three sons, his brothers having preceded him in death. On June 22, 1941, he married his childhood sweetheart, Dorothy Virginia Stutting of Maquoketa, IA. Jerry served in the U.S. Army during WWII as an Army Ordinance Instructor at facilities in Maryland and Ohio. Following his discharge from the service, he joined his father and brothers in the operation of their automobile dealership in Maquoketa, where he remained for 47 years until its sale. During this time, Jerry was active in the community as a member of the Board of Jackson State Bank, Maquoketa School Board, Jackson County Hospital Board, Rotary, the American Legion and the Knights of Pythias, serving as head of that organization for the state of Iowa. He enjoyed boating, fishing and water skiing weekends at the family's cabin in Wisconsin for many years, as well as an occasional game of golf. Jerry retired in 1985, but continued to provide part-time assistance to the new owners of the dealership for another 20 years. During this time, he also wrote two books of local historical interest; restored an original Corvette with his son, Phil; rediscovered his Danish origins and introduced his family to its Danish branch, maintaining those relationships until his death. In April of 2009, he and Dorothy relocated to East Wenatchee, WA, to be closer to their son.

Jerry is survived by his wife, Dorothy; his son, Phil (Lovelyn) Rasmussen of

Wenatchee; his granddaughter, Linde Lapish of Scottsdale, AZ; grandson, Dana (Jasmine) Rasmussen of Alexandria, VA; great-grandson, Colin of Alexandria, VA; nieces, Cindy Rasmussen of Joliet, IL and Lucky Evachevski of St. Ignace, MI; nephew, John Rasmussen of Battle Creek, MI; and many cousins in Iowa and Denmark.

A Memorial Service will be held in Maquoketa, IA, at a date yet to be determined. Arrangements assisted by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Sorry to hear about Jerry's pasting. Condolences from the Kinrade's in Denver.* ”

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