

**Harry Porter, P.E., 95**

**Dec. 12, 1913 - Feb. 21, 2009**

**AMES** — Harry E. Porter, P.E., age 95, died Saturday, Feb. 21, 2009 at Bickford Cottage in Ames. A memorial service was held at 4:00 PM Thursday, Feb. 26, 2009, in Helser Chapel in Collegiate Presbyterian Church, 159 N. Sheldon Ave. in Ames. Graveside services were held at 11:00 AM Friday, Feb. 27, 2009, at Sidney Cemetery in Sidney.

Harry Ellis Porter was born December 12, 1913, in Sidney, the son of Harry Clark and Ethel Bessie (Campbell) Porter. He graduated from Sidney High School and received his degree in engineering from International Correspondence School.

Harry married Mary Olive Stafford on January 2, 1938, in Lincoln NE. Harry was a veteran of WWII, as a Navy Chief Mate assigned to the Marines as a Marine Boot Camp Training Officer. Harry was employed 33 years with Iowa State Highway Commission later known as Iowa Department of Transportation. He later retired after eight years as Cass County Engineer in Atlantic. Harry was a Registered Civil, Highway and County Engineer, and a Registered Land Surveyor. He and his wife Mary lived in Hamburg and Atlantic, and Ridgeway, MO, and retired to Elm Crest Retirement Community in Harlan. The two of them enjoyed several winters at Leisure World in Mesa, AZ. They moved to Ames in 2006.

Harry was preceded in death by his parents, brothers, Russell, James and Keith Porter, sisters, Bessie Graham, Mabel Laird, Harriet Pierce, Inez Silence, and Ruby Bevington. He is survived by his wife Mary of 71 years of Ames, son and daughter-in-law, Max and Monica Porter of Ames, and one grandson Nathan Porter of Fort Dodge, along with several nephews and nieces.

Memorials may be directed to Youth and Shelter Services of Ames.



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