

Rev. Dolliver D. Thogerson, 80

July 17, 1912 — May 22, 1993

HUXLEY, IA. — Dolliver D. Thogerson was born July 17, 1912 in Harlan to Jens Christian and Inger Marie (Johnson) Thogerson. He was baptized and confirmed in Harlan and graduated from Harlan High School in 1931. Following high school, he went to Blair, NE., where he attended and graduated from Dana College in 1935. Following Dana College, he graduated from Trinity Seminary in Blair in 1938. He was ordained June 19, 1938 in Racine, WI.

He married Ruth Matson June 30, 1938 in Cedar Falls. They served the following churches: Our Saviour's Lutheran and First Lutheran in Edmora and Sidney, MI.; First Lutheran in Cushing, WI.; Emmaus Lutheran in Falmouth, ME.; Bethany Lutheran in West Branch; St. Luke's Lutheran in Derwood, MD.; Salem and Grace Lutheran in Burlington; St. John's and Hauge Lutheran in Decorah; and Fjeldberg Lutheran Church in Huxley. He retired in 1978 as Pastor Emeritus. In 1977, he had the honor of having a Master's of Divinity Degree conferred upon him by Wartburg Theological Seminary in Dubuque. He was also a past president of the Eastern District of the UELC from 1958-1960, a position equivalent to Bishop today. He died May 22, 1993 at Mary Greeley Medical Center in Ames at age 80.

He was preceded in death by his parents and 1 brother, Nels Thogerson. Survivors include his wife, Ruth of Huxley; 1 daughter, Dorothy Hansen of Brunswick, ME.; 3 sons, David Thogerson of Ames; Paul Thogerson of Elmhurst, IL.; and Mark Thogerson of Lansing, MI.; 1 brother, Raymond Thogerson of Albany, OR.; 4 sisters, Marjorie Groesveck of Albany, Or.; Mena Burmeister, Eleanor Bramer, and Frances Wigness, all of Harlan; 8 grandchildren; 3 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held May 25, 1993, at Fjeldberg Lutheran Church in Huxley with Rev. Russell Tessman and Rev. Merlin Norris officiating. Sonderstrum-Riis Funeral Home in Slater in charge of arrangements.