

Emil Monhardt, 101

Dec. 19, 1904 - Jan. 17, 2006

LINCOLN, NE — Emil John Monhardt was born Dec. 19, 1904, in Garrison, NE, to Rev. Emil C. and Magdalene (Gruber) Monhardt. He was baptized, confirmed and married by his father. After graduation from Clatonia High School, he went to Coyer Electrical School in Chicago, IL. He worked as a master electrician and retired from American Stores Packing Plant after 28 years.

Oct. 11, 1933, he married his high school sweetheart, Alice Vonderfecht. They had two daughters, Carolyn (Phil) Osborn and Diane (Merlin) Kastens. Alice died in October of 1991. Emil has lived at Gramercy Hill in Lincoln, NE, for the past three years. He was a very active member of Trinity Lutheran Church, involved in many organizations and participated in the church choir. He died Jan. 17, 2006, at age 101.

Emil was preceded in death by his parents; his wife, Alice; sisters and brothers. He is survived by his daughters and sons-in-law, Carolyn (Phil) Osborn of Chaska, MN and Diane (Merlin) Kastens of Harlan; grandchildren, Kirwan (Pam) Osborn of Chanhassen, MN; David (Cindy) Osborn of Eagan, MN; Kathy (William) Mahousky of Eagan, MN; Sueanne (Robert) Hicks of Shakopee, MN; Michael Kastens of Harlan; Angela (Duane) Van Heukelom of Colfax; Lori (Kelly) Freund of Boone; Ryan Kastens of Council Bluffs; 10 great-grandchildren; sister-in-law, Laura Vonderfecht of Pawnee City, NE; nieces, nephews and other relatives.

Funeral services were held Jan. 21, 2006, at the Lincoln Memorial Funeral Home with Pastor Duane Voorman officiating. Burial was in the Lincoln Memorial Park Cemetery. Casket bearers were Kirwan Osborn, David Osborn, Ryan Kastens, Marvin Wurm, Michael Kastens, Christopher Osborn and Lawrence Wurm.