



Galen C. Oderkirk

July 16, 1900 to June 19, 1991

Ida E. Oderkirk

March 20, 1904 to November 27, 1994

Relationship to St. Andrew: Galen and Ida were long time Members of St. Andrew.

Family: Galen and Ida were married in 1927 in North Dakota. They had four daughters, Mrs. Alice Yaw, Mrs. Edith James, Mrs. Jane Thompson and a daughter Judith who preceded them in death. They had 12 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

Recognitions: Galen was a forty year federal employee of the Fish and Wildlife Department and was awarded the Distinguished Service Award. He was active with Retarded Children's Association and a Red Coat Volunteer at Home Hospital. Ida was a homemaker, Purdue Womens Club and United Methodist Women's Society.

Memorial: The funds were used to purchase the overhead fans in Fellowship Hall and the dinnerware in the Alpha and Omega Room.

Galen Oderkirk, 90, 40-year federal employee



Galen C. Oderkirk, 90, died at 3:35 p.m. Wednesday in his home at 902 Vine St., WL.

Mr. Oderkirk worked for the Fish and Wildlife Department, U.S. Department of Interior for 40 years, retiring in 1964. His office was in the Entomology Department at Purdue University.

In 1965, he received the Distinguished Service Award from the Department of Interior.

He was born July 16, 1900, in Kent, Minn. He graduated from Moorehead High School in Minnesota. He received his bachelor's degree in agriculture from North Dakota State University in 1925 where he was a member of Alpha Gamma Rho fraternity. He came to West Lafayette in 1925.

He married Ida E. Andersen on July 3, 1927, in Buffalo, N.D. She survives.

Mr. Oderkirk was a member of St. Andrew United Methodist Church in West Lafayette; past president of the Noon Optimist Club and the Retired Children's Association; and a member of National Association of Retired Federal Employees. He also was a Red Coat volunteer at Home Hospital.

Surviving with his wife are three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Alice) Yaw of Sacramento, Calif., Mrs. Ben (Edith) James of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Sid (Jane) Thompson of West Lafayette.

Ida E. Oderkirk, 90, Arachne Club member



Ida Elizabeth Andersen Oderkirk, 90, of 902 Vine St., WL, died there at 9:35 a.m. Sunday, Nov. 27.

Born March 20, 1904, in Buffalo, N.D., she graduated from Buffalo High School and North Dakota State University. She had lived in West Lafayette for the past 67 years after moving from North Dakota.

She married Galen C. Oderkirk on July 3, 1927, in Buffalo. He died June 19, 1991.

Mrs. Oderkirk was a homemaker and a member of St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, Kappa Delta and Tri Kappa sororities, Purdue Womens Club and Arachne Club.

Surviving are three daughters, Mrs. Robert (Alice) Yaw of Rocklin, Calif., Mrs. Ben (Edith) James of Atlanta, Ga., and Mrs. Sid (Jane) Thompson of West Lafayette.

ODERKIRK, Ida E.

Friends may call 5-8 p.m. Wednesday at Sotter-Sotter West Lafayette Funeral Home. The body will be in state 1/2-hour prior to the service at 10 a.m. Thursday, St. Andrew's United Methodist Church, the Rev. Jacob C. Williams Jr. officiating. Interment Grand View Cemetery. Surviving, 12 grandchildren, 16 great-grandchildren, 1 great-great-grandchild. Preceded in death by a daughter, Judith Oderkirk, a great-granddaughter, Chetole Smetz. Memorals may be given to St. Andrew's United Methodist Church.



Ceiling Fans at 333 Meridian St. in June of 2007



Dinner Ware