



## Philip Ritchie

November 28, 1917 - March 27, 2008

Philip G. Ritchie (1917-2008)

Cedar Falls- Philip G. Ritchie, 90, of Cedar Falls, died Thursday, March 27 at Ravenwood Nursing and Rehab Center, Waterloo.

He was born November 28, 1917 in Waterloo, the son of Thomas Martin and Carrie (Pries) Ritchie. He married Zelpha L. Garrison on June 18, 1939. She died October 17, 2002.

Mr. Ritchie was employed with Rath Packing and later with Illinois Central Railroad. He was also self employed as a land surveyor.

Survivors include five sons, Fred P. (Peg) of Cedar Falls, Ronald T. (Barbara) of Cedar Rapids, James P. (Barbara) of Cedar Falls, Philip "Scott" of Wichita, KS and Donald "Don" M. of Georgetown, TX; eight grandchildren; six great grandchildren; a sister, Avis Muether of Waterloo; and a brother, Richard Ritchie of Plymouth, MN.

Preceded in death by a sister, Carrie Risse; two brothers, Thomas and Robert; and a son, Larry Ritchie.

Services will be held 10 a.m. Monday, March 31 at First Christian Church in

Cedar Falls with burial in Fairview Cemetery, Waterloo. Friends may call from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday at the Richardson Funeral Home, with a 5 p.m. public Masonic service by Martin Lodge #428 AF & AM Waterloo.

Memorials to be designated at a later date

Condolences may be left at [www.richardsonfuneralservice.com](http://www.richardsonfuneralservice.com).

# Tribute Wall



“ I'm sorry to hear about Philip.

*Myself, Dennis Prange and Jerry Shoff were just talking at the land surveyors conference about a Rail Road project that we all worked on back in the early 80's. We were talking about our harsh winter and some of the worst we have worked in and the project that Philip worked with me on was by Wall Lake. It was a very cold and windy winter and the place we stayed at wasn't real great either. It was an old 6 or 7 bedroom motel with no phones and hot water heat. To make matters worse on the coldest day we worked, the hot water boiler went out in the middle of the night and the furnace was just blowing cold air. We had no way to reach the owner and no hot water for a shower. So we all slept in our clothes under the covers. We had a chance to warm up during breakfast the next morning.*

*Philip was a very knowledgeable man and was fun to work with. We will all miss him and I am sorry for your loss.*

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