

Dr. Paul A. Rhoades

Age: 79

Jul 10, 2001

Dr. Paul A. Rhoades, 79, of Mason, died Friday, July 6, 2001 at home following a short illness.

Born Sept. 9, 1921 in West Unity, Ohio, he was the son of Rev. E.F. and Alice (Ridgeway) Rhoades. He lived in Ingham County the last seven years and previously lived in Gladwin.

Paul married Rosa (Szilagyi), May 11, 1940 in Scottville. He graduated from Lincoln Chiropractic College in 1952 and practiced in Gladwin for 42 years. He was a veteran of World War II, serving with the United States Army.

Dr. Rhoades was a charter member of the Gladwin Development Corp.; served several years on the Gladwin School Board and was president for three years; was a founding chairman of Mid Michigan Community College, and continued as chairman until he retired in 1978 and then continued as chairman emeritus. He was a member and past president of the Gladwin Rotary Club; lifetime member of the Gladwin Masons; member of the VFW Post 7303; member of St. Paul's Episcopal Church; and a member of the Greenwood Hunting Club.



Besides his wife he is survived by one son, Ronald and wife Jeanne of Mason; one granddaughter, Deborah Sterzik of Traverse City; one grandson, Jeffrey and wife Lisa Rhoades of Coldwater; three great-grandsons, Bill Sterzik of Traverse City, and Scott and Luke Rhoades, both of Coldwater; two brothers, Von and wife Joan of Smithfield, N.C., and Ford of Bryan, Ohio; two sisters, Ruth Ann and husband Jim King of Bellevue, and Naomi Watson of Nashville; and one brother-in-law, Dale Conklin of Grand Rapids.

He was preceded in death by one daughter, Linda Sharp in 1989; one sister, Bernice Conklin; one brother, Edgar; one granddaughter, Donna Thorington; and one grandson, Matthew Rhoades.

Services were held at 11 a.m. Monday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Gladwin with Rev. Mary Jo Schuetz, Rev. Father T. Edward Bennett, and Rev. Father Bill Erickson officiating. Burial was in Highland Cemetery in Gladwin.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Mid Michigan Community College scholarship fund.

Hall Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

