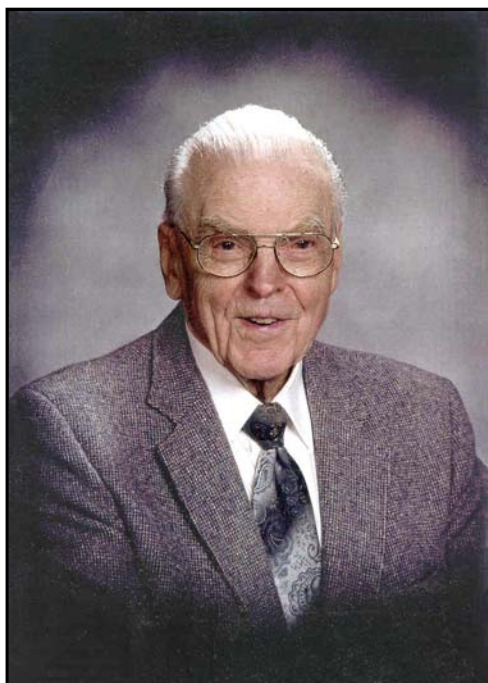


Obituary for Harold W. Buckles



Harold Winfred Buckles died at the age of 98 on March 16th, 2008. His wife, Grace Ellen, and his eldest daughter, Leota Kay Johnson, preceded him in death. He is survived by:

His four remaining children and their spouses

Joseph & Bonnie Buckles of Culver, Oregon
Noma & Herb Oxenrider of Gresham, Oregon
Mary & Bob Jones of Boring, Oregon
Steven & Denise Buckles of Vancouver, WA.

His 15 grandchildren

(Larry Johnson, Laurie Valverde, Terrie Nelson, Sandi DeFreze, Bryan Buckles, Aleta Sanstrum, Bethany Learn, Joy Kirk, Kelli Kristensen, Jason Oxenrider, Cheryl Marshall, Matthew Douglass, Adrian Buckles, Ashley Domingo and Jake Buckles.)

Born December 1, 1909 to farm folk in Garden City, Minnesota, Harold quickly became a responsible member of the family. He learned to do many things well. He set his sights on becoming an electrical engineer, but while in college committed his life to the Lord's service and determined to become an uncompromising Christian and preacher. He used his well-practiced talents of sign painting, printing, and cartoon drawing skills for revival meetings, sermon illustrations and to circulate a bi-monthly publication called "Good Reading". He was a concise and interesting teacher of God's word for nearly 70 years. He clung to life for the privilege of preaching just one more sermon so more people would come to know the truth of God's love and His plan of Salvation. Harold served as pastor for the Salem Church of Christ at 1009 45th Ave from 1961 until 2002. Harold also worked for the State of Oregon Highway Dept. from 1962 until his retirement in 1975.