

Tues., Dec. 28, 1999



Myron Johnson

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Myron A. Johnson, 82, formerly of 1753 190th St., Boone, died from congestive heart failure Dec. 27, 1999, at the Eastern Star Masonic Home in Boone. He had been a resident at the Eastern Star Home since September 1998.

Services will be at 10:30 a.m. Thursday at the First Evangelical Free Church, with the Revs. Tim Trudeau and Donald Stover officiating.

Burial will be in Linwood Park Cemetery in Boone.

He was born Dec. 5, 1917, in Jackson Township in Boone County, the son of August and Ellen (Anderson) Johnson. He received his elementary and high school education at Jordan Consolidated School in Jordan and graduated from Iowa State College in 1942 with a bachelor's of science degree in animal husbandry.

While in college, he was active in Intervarsity Christian Fellowship, Block and Bridle Club, Campus 4-H Club, Alpha Zeta Honorary Agricultural Fraternity and Dinner Pail Club. He was a member of the Iowa State College Livestock Judging Team that won two major judging contests and was high individual in the contest at the American Royal Livestock Show in 1941.

On Aug. 10, 1946, he married Elizabeth Mathson at Boone.

He served in the Army during World War II and after the war, returned to the family farm where he engaged in the registered Holstein cattle business and farmed until retirement.

He was a member of First Evangelical Free Church, where he was a Sunday School teacher, choir member and served various offices on the church board. He also served on the United Community School Board, Farmers Coop Elevator Board, Boone County Fair Board, Boone County 4-H Youth Committee, Superintendent of the Dairy Show at the Boone County Fair and was also a 4-H Club leader for many years.

He was a member of the Farm Bureau, West Central Coop, American Legion, Dairy Shrine Club, Iowa Railroad Historical Society and served as a volunteer on Boone & Scenic Valley Railroad.

Mr. Johnson was a breeder of registered Holstein cattle, was a lifetime member of Holstein-Friesian Association of America and for over 60 years was a member of the Iowa Holstein Breeders Association, where he received the distinguished service award in 1989. He was a member of the District Six Holstein Club, where he served as president, show chairman and for many years as secretary-treasurer.

He was instrumental in organizing the Boone County Association for Retarded Children, where he served as president. The association was responsible for getting special education classes started in the Boone education system and was a forerunner of the present Boone County Work Activity Center for handicapped children and adults.

He was predeceased in death by his wife.

Survivors include two daughters and sons-in-law, Julianne and David Hinz of Salt Lake City, Utah and Laurel and Steve Nagel of Story City; two sons and a daughter-in-law, Daniel and Roberta Johnson of Mount Vernon and Mark Johnson of Boone; and three grandchildren, Bryan Johnson of Ames and Lukas and Jakob Nagel of Story City.

He is also survived by three sisters, Dorothy Johnson and Betty Johnson, both of Boone, and Charlene Bonnelycke and her husband, Jarl of Bellevue, Washinton, and more relatives.

Friends may call at the Stark-Welin Chapel in Boone from 4 to 9 p.m. Wednesday and also at the church Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to the time of service. The family will be present at the chapel from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday to greet friends.

Memorials may be given to the Evangelical Free Church and the Eastern Star Masonic Home.