

Services For Jay Shumway

Jeremiah "Jay" Shumway, 82, of Hartington, died unexpectedly Monday morning April 14 at his residence in Hartington. Memorial services were Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the First Congregational Church UCC, with the Rev. Gary Arndt officiating. Burial was in Greenwood Cemetery at Wayne, with graveside Military services conducted by the Hartington VFW Post 5283. Masonic services were held Tuesday evening at 8 p.m. at the Wintz Funeral Home in Hartington.

Shumway was born Nov. 28, 1897, in Lyons, one of nine children of the late Lorin G. and Mary Coates Shumway. He was named for his grandfather, Jeremiah J. Shumway, one of the early business men before Lyons was incorporated, and longtime lumberman here. He attended Jefferson rural school and graduated from Lyons High School, with his sister Jessie, in the class of 1914. He also attended the University of Nebraska before serving in World War I where he spent much time with the Aero Squadron in France.

After his service, he lived in Lyons and Wayne until 1926. Jay, as he was always known, was married to Ann Giese Gildersleeve, on May 26, 1926, in Wayne. They lived in Mapleton, IA until 1931, when they moved to Hartington where he managed the Carhart-Shumway Lumber Yard until 1965, when he retired.

He was a member of AbuBeker Shrine Temple in Sioux City; Masonic Lodge AF & AM 219 in Hartington; Order of Eastern Star; Oriental Consistory in Yankton, S.D.; American Legion Post 4 and VFW Post 5283, both of Hartington, and First Congregational Church UCC.

He also was chairman of the board of Hartington Telephone Co., and was a former member of the Hartington City Council.

Preceding him in death were his parents; three brothers, Verne, Lorin L. and Dale, and two sisters, Una Lindahl and Mary Martha, who died in infancy.

Survivors include his wife Ann; one daughter, Mrs. Arnold (Twila) Anderson of Hartington; one son, Lloyd Gildersleeve of Rock Port, Mo.; two sisters, Mrs. George (Jessie) Miller of Lyons, and Mrs. Evelyn Leahy of Miami, Fla.; one brother, M.F. "Bus" Shumway of Los Osos, Calif; five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.