



Happy 70th Richard & Ethel Newkirk

On December 23, 1927 Richard Newkirk was born on a farm east of Williamsburg to Lillie (Brocksbus) and Alfred Newkirk. Richard was baptized by Pastor R. Uhlmann at Immanuel Lutheran Church on January 22, 1928.

Ethel was born on August 15, 1928 on a farm north east of Williamsburg to Anna (Baack) and Herman Heitshusen. On September 2, 1928 Ethel was baptized by Pastor R. Uhlmann at Immanuel's.

Both went to Immanuel Lutheran School and both were confirmed by Pastor Alb. Bostelmann on May 24, 1942.

Richard had one sister, Ruth (Mohr).

Ethel had 5 brothers Erwin, Willard, Herbert, Walter & Edgar and has one sister Luella.

On December 5, 1948 Richard & Ethel were married at Immanuel's by Pastor H.P. Greif. Shortly after their wedding Richard and Ethel joined St. Paul Lutheran Church. They farmed west of Williamsburg for 10 years. This would be their home for 68 ½ years.

Richard served in the Navy, worked at Conroy Elevator, and J & S. Ethel loved being a homemaker and both were great parents to Becky and Robert. They also have one grandson.

Richard enjoyed hunting and both enjoyed hunting mushrooms in the spring. Richard took up the hobby of carving beautiful western objects, people and animals. He has a large collection of carvings that could be displayed in a museum.

Ethel has a beautiful voice and sang with the church choir for many years. She especially loved serving on the Altar Guild and found it to be very educational. Ethel was a member of Women's Guild and liked to help serve the funeral dinners.

Richard has had many health problems over the years and after falling several times, in the hospital and care center they decided to move to Highland Ridge Assisted Living

Richard and Ethel have been faithful members of St. Pauls all their married life and we thank them for their support of St. Paul's. May God bless you both as you observe your 70th Anniversary and always keep you in His loving care.

Cards will be greatly appreciated
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