Fred Franzen Elgin

Fred Franzen, 72, of 1363 Todd Farm Drive, Elgin, died Friday in Americana Nursing Center, Elgin. He was born in Sweden on May 21, 1902, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Frans Bergerson, and resided in Elgin for two months. Previously, he had lived in St. Charles for two years. He was a retired interior decorator and a charter member of the Order of Vikings. He was also a life member of the Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America. Surviving are the widow, Viola D.A. Gottfried Franzen of Elgin; one son, Leonard of Elgin; two grandsons; two sisters, living in Sweden; four brothers, Rudolph of Geneva, and three others living in Sweden. Besides his parents, he was preceded in death by two brothers. Private Requiem Mass was held Sunday in St. Hugh of Lincoln, Episcopal Church in Elgin, with the Rev. John C. Willis celebrating. Cremation was at Elm Lawn Crematory in Elmhurst. Arrangements were made by the Stout Funeral Home in Elgin. A memorial has been established for St. Hugh of Lincoln Episcopal Church.

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