

Herman J. Raap, 91, of Elgin, died March 4, 1997, at Asta Health Care Center in Elgin. He was born July 7, 1905 at Bloomingdale, Ill., the son of C. Henry and Ida (Grage) Raap. Herman grew up the youngest of 10 children in Roselle, Ill. He was a very interesting young man, he raced cars, was a volunteer fireman in Roselle and enjoyed putting lightning rods on top of tall buildings. He was very proud of the fact that he never broke any bones. On May 29, 1946 Herman was united in marriage to Naomi. He was a member of St. Paul Evangelical United Church of Christ in Bloomingdale for 75 years. He attended Country Covenant Church in Plato Township for many years. He was a past member of Fraternal Order of Eagles in Elgin. He was employed by F.J. Bero in Elgin as a plumber, retiring in 1970. He is survived by many nieces and nephews and very special friends, Rick and Betsy Kloeppe and their children of Elgin. He was preceded in death by his wife, Naomi Raap; five sisters, Henrietta Richardt, Celia Bethke, Alma Pauling, Elizabeth Botterman and Laura Raap; four brothers August Raap, Ferdinand Raap, Herbert Raap and Rudolph Raap. Following cremation, a memorial service will be held at 11:00 a.m. Saturday, March 15, at the Country Covenant Church, Route 47 and McDonald Road with the Rev. Jeff Schweitzer officiating. Arrangements were entrusted to the Conley Funeral Home. Memorials in his name may be made to Country Covenant Church, in care of P. O. Box A, Elburn, IL 60119.

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