

Elgin Courier News
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Kenneth J. Sodt

Kenneth J. Sodt, 78, of Elgin, passed away Sunday January 4, 2004, at his home. Born August 7, 1925, he was the son of Walter and Elsie (Berndt) Sodt. Ken, a lifelong resident of Elgin, graduated from Elgin High School in 1943. In World War Two, he was a Navy Medic. He was employed at the Elgin Post Office as a letter carrier from 1948 to 1978. After retirement, he worked at the Channing and Taylor YMCA's. He enjoyed fishing, golf and especially music. He was a member of the original Elgin Choral Union, was active in various church choirs and as a soloist. He was a member of St. Peter Lutheran Church, Gilberts, singing in the church choir and the Praise and Worship group. A loving husband, father and grandfather, he is survived by his wife of 52 years, Lois (Bartels) Sodt; his daughters Karen (Hugh) Kress of Oak Park, Lynn (John) Hanlon of Hudson, NH, and Laurel (Thomas) Miller of Anacortes, Wa.; 4 grandchildren, Seth and Timmy Kress and Ryan and Katelyn Hanlon. He was preceded in death by his parents and a sister, Shirley (Sodt) Hauer. Funeral services will be held Friday, January 9, 2004 at 10:30 am at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Galligan Road, Gilberts with the Rev. David Stuckmeyer officiating. Visitation will be Thursday January 8, from 4-8 pm at the Laird Funeral Home, 120 S. Third Street, West Dundee, and 1 hour prior to the service at the church. Burial will be private. In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to St. Peter Lutheran Church Building Fund or Provena St. Joseph Hospice Care, 77 N. Airlite St., Elgin.