

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Klemesrud, Theodore S. Senator _____

Represented Hinnobago County, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 8 Mar 1902 Oregon, Iowa

2. Marriage (s) date place
Glen Florence 16 June 1932 Thompson, Iowa

3. Significant events for example:

- A. Business He was named Outstanding Citizen of Hinnobago County in 1978;
Nov 24 1973 was named Home and Glee day in Thompson in honor of 50
year in the newspaper business
- B. Civic responsibilities Lions Club; Mason

C. Profession Newspaper publisher - "The Thompson Courier", Thompson,
Iowa

4. Church membership Methodist

5. Sessions served 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th General Assembly 1943, 1945,
1947, 1949, 1951, 1953

6. Public Offices

A. Local _____

B. State _____

C. National _____

7. Death 24 May 1995 Mason City, Iowa; buried Rose Hill Cemetery, Thompson, Iowa

8. Children Tom; Judy (predeceased her father in death in 1985); Candace
(predeceased her father in death in 1989)

9. Names of parents Harald and Ingeborg (Maabestad) Klemesrud

10. Education Educated in several respects

11. Degrees Finished high school and attended Junior College at
Valdora Academy, Forest City, Iowa; BA from Concordia
College, Moorhead, Minnesota

12. Other applicable information Republican

- He grew up on a farm in Mitchell County, Iowa, but left home
as a teenager to attend high school in Forest City, Iowa
- He learned the newspaper business at The Winnebago Republican
in Forest City
- In 1926, after graduating from college, he returned to Winnebago
County to become the editor of The Thompson Courier newspaper.
- He bought The Thompson Courier in 1928 and The Rake Register,
Rake, Iowa in 1938.
- He retired from the newspaper business in 1974
- His wife, Glee, died in 1986

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Former Thompson publisher dies Wednesday in Mason City

Former publisher of *The Thompson Courier and Rake Register*, Theodore S. Klemesrud, 93, of Thompson, died Wednesday, May 24, at North Iowa Mercy Health Care Center in Mason City.

Funeral service was held Saturday morning at the United Methodist Church in Thompson. Rev. Ted Stowers presided over the service. Music was provided by organist Eleanor Roper.

Casket bearers were Don Anderson, Bob Topp, Marlin Fisher, Dean Mechem, John Appelhons, Sid Wubben, Dave Nolton and Myron Teague. Honorary casket bearers were Dutch Krull, Gordie Swenson, Bob Roper, Irwin Erickson, C.E. Judd, Darrell Morgan, Laurence Kroeze, Vernon Mathews, L.V. Johanson and Bruce Osmundson. Burial was at Rose Hill Cemetery in Thompson.

Klemesrud, son of Harald and Ingeborg Klemesrud, was born March 8, 1902, in Mitchell County. He grew up on a farm in Mitchell County, but left home as a teenager to attend high school at Waldorf Academy in Forest City. After finishing high school and junior college there, and learning the newspaper business at *The Winnebago Republican* in Forest City, he finished his bachelor's degree at Concordia College in Moorhead, Minn.

In 1926 he returned to Winnebago County to become editor of *The Thompson Courier*. He taught Courier reporter Glee Florence to run the linotype machine and in 1932 he married her.

Klemesrud bought *The Courier* in 1928 and *The Rake Register* in 1938. He continued publishing both papers as he served as a Representative in the Iowa Legislature from 1941 to 1953. He said two of his proudest legislative accomplishments were helping pass the "Yellow Bus" bill, which made it easier for farm kids to get to school, and helping legalize deer hunting.

When the Klemesruds retired from the newspaper business in



THEODORE S. KLEMESRUD

1974, they went to work on the Senior Center. The Young at Heart Club wanted a building of their own, so the Klemesruds, together with a small group of seniors, coordinated a grant-writing and fund-raising effort for a new center. The hard work paid off in 1978 when they received a federal grant and raised additional money to buy the building.

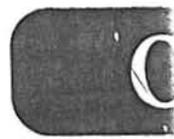
Theo Klemesrud was very involved in the community. He was a member of the United Methodist Church, Lions Club and Masonic Lodge. He was named Outstanding Citizen of Winnebago County in 1978. In addition, Nov. 24, 1973, was named Klemesrud and Glee Day in Thompson, in honor of the Klemesruds' 50 years in the newspaper business.

Theo Klemesrud was preceded in death by his parents, Harald and Ingeborg Klemesrud, his wife Glee in 1986 and two daughters, Judy in 1985 and Candice in 1989. Survivors include son Tom of Los Angeles, Cal.; granddaughter Colette Helin of Cedar Rapids; brother Lorin of Osage; two sisters, Ruth of Osage and Eleanor of Minneapolis, Minn.; and many nieces, nephews and good friends.

Alberta Iverson funeral held

Funeral service for Alberta Iverson, 80, of Garner, was held Thursday at Cataldo Funeral Chapel in Garner. The Rev. John

Mrs. Iverson died May 22, 1995, at the Muse Norris Hospice Inpatient Unit in Mason City. She enjoyed her family, flower



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