

Standard Form For Members of the Legislature

Name of Representative Miller, Thomas H. Senator \_\_\_\_\_

Lived at Cherokee, Iowa

1. Birthday and place 11. Apr 1925 Park Rapids, Minnesota

2. Marriage (s) date place

Jean Neil 25 June 1947

3. Significant events for example:

A. Business He was named Master Editor - Publisher by the Iowa Press Association

B. Civic responsibilities Board member of Cherokee Industrial Association; Rotary; Chamber of Commerce; Boy Scouts

C. Profession Owner, editor and publisher of The Cherokee Daily Times (1969-1982), journalist

4. Church membership Catholic

5. Sessions served 71<sup>st</sup>, 72<sup>nd</sup>, 73<sup>rd</sup>, 74<sup>th</sup>, 75<sup>th</sup> General Assemblies 1985-1986; 1987-1988; 1989-1990; 1991-1992; 1993-1994

6. Public Offices

A. Local Board member of the Cherokee Coal Land

B. State The Cherokee Daily Times newspaper was twice named Newspaper of the Year by the Iowa Press Association twice

C. National He was invited to receive national recognition with the prestigious Missouri University School of Journalism Award

7. Death 25 May 2001 Cherokee Iowa; buried Mount Calvary Cemetery, Cherokee Iowa

8. Children Kathleen (Mrs. Greg Johnson); Mark; Deborah (Mrs. Steve Hankens);

Michelle (Mrs. Russ Jones); Vinny; James; Steve; Scott; Mary (Mrs. Karlene Bos); Paul; John

9. Names of parents Ernest Brumaghim and Anna Marie (Hauter) Miller

Miller, Thomas H.

10. Education He graduated from Washington High School in  
Brainerd, Minnesota

11. Degrees \_\_\_\_\_

12. Other applicable information \_\_\_\_\_

- Military service World War II - U. S. Navy for 3 years
- After the service, he entered the newspaper business
- The Cherokee Daily Times was twice named "Newspaper of the  
Year" by the Press Association and selected to receive  
national recognition with the Missouri University School of  
Journalism Award. It was the smallest newspaper ever to be  
so honored



# NOTES

**MAY 29**

**Outpatient - 100**  
**Admissions - 3**  
Gerald Moller  
**Dismissals - 4**  
Laura Moller, Meriden

## CONGREGATE MEALS

**Thursday May 31**

Hunter's Steak  
Rice pilaf  
Carrots  
Bread/margarine  
Fresh Fruit  
Milk

**Friday June 1**

BBQ Chicken  
Coleslaw Potatoes  
broccoli  
Bread/Margarine  
Pistachio Dessert  
Milk

For Reservations call 225-5326 before 8:30 am

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**The Cherokee Daily Times**

# OBITUARIES

## Tom Miller

Lifelong journalist and former state legislator, Thomas H. Miller, passed away Friday, May 25, 2001. He leaves behind his wife, Jean, eleven children and 14 grandchildren.

A distinguished journalist, Tom earned a host of national, regional and state awards for his writing. As owner, editor and publisher for the Cherokee Daily Times (1969-1982), the paper was twice named Newspaper of the Year by the Iowa Press Association and selected to receive national recognition with the prestigious Missouri University School of Journalism Award, the smallest newspaper ever to be so honored. He was also named Master Editor-Publisher by the Iowa Press Association.

He was a strong believer in supporting his community. As well as supporting his community through journalism, his contributions included 10 years as a board member of the Cherokee Industrial Corporation, two of those years as president; president of the Cherokee Rotary Club; and member of the Sanford Museum Association Board, Cherokee Adult Education program board, the Chamber of Commerce board and Cherokee County Fund board.

His service extended beyond the community including membership on

volunteer work. He was also recipient of the Annual Merit Award by the Iowa Association for Public Continuing and Adult Education and received the Contribution to Education Award from the Cherokee Education Association.

After retiring from the newspaper business, in 1984 Tom was elected to the Iowa House of Representatives. He served five terms until voluntarily stepping aside in 1994.

Tom Miller was born April 11, 1925 in Park Rapids, Minnesota, graduated from Washington High School, Brainerd, Minn. in 1943, and served in the U.S. Navy for three years during World War II. Following his Navy service, Tom entered the newspaper business.

Tom married Jean Neil on June 25, 1947. They are the parents of eleven children: Kathleen Johannsen and her husband Craig of Winfred, South Dakota, Mark of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, Deborah Hankens and her husband Steve of Cherokee, Michele Jones and her husband Russ of Waterloo, Iowa, Vince and his wife Rhonda of Bonney Lake, Wash., James of Madison, Wisc., Steve and his wife Debra of Lake Zurich, Ill., Scott and his wife Teri of Kingwood, Texas, Mary Bos and her husband Harlan of Stillwater, Minn, Paul and his wife Jill of Westminster

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- Reporter . . . . . Barbara Derksen
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His service extended beyond the community including membership on the following boards and councils: State of Iowa Right to Read Council, State of Iowa Adult Education Council, and Western Iowa Tech Adult Education Council.

Among his many citations, Tom was awarded the Silver Beaver, the highest honor accorded by the Boy Scouts for more than 25 years of

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Services were held Tuesday, May 29 at Immaculate Conception Catholic Church in Cherokee. Burial was in Mount Calvary Cemetery, Cherokee. The Greenwood Funeral Home, Cherokee, was in charge of arrangements.

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### Thomas H Miller

Birth **11 Apr 1925** in [Park Rapids, Hubbard, Minnesota, USA](#)  
 Death **25 May 2001** in [Cherokee, Iowa](#)

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#### Timeline [\(View details\)](#)

- 1925**  
11 Apr

[Birth](#)  
Park Rapids, Hubbard, Minnesota, USA
- 1942**  
Age: 17

[Military](#)  
Navy - WW II
- 1969**  
Age: 44

[Newspaper](#)  
BET 1969 AND 1982  
Publisher - Cherokee Daily Times, Cherokee, Iowa
- 1984**  
Age: 59

[Politics](#)  
BET 1984 AND 1994  
Republican - Iowa House of Representatives
- 1989**  
Age: 64

[Publish Book](#)  
"Laughter and Tears" - story of Tom Miller family
- 2001**  
25 May  
Age: 76

[Death](#)  
Cherokee, Iowa
- [Medical](#)  
Asthma, Leukemia, Penicillin Allergy, Shingles, Lactose Intolerance

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#### Family Members

##### Parents

- [Ernest Brumaghim Miller](#)  
1898 - 1959
- [Anna Marie Hauber](#)  
1897 - 1986

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##### Spouse & Children

- [Living](#)

[Family group sheet](#)

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