
EARL M. YODER

EARL M. YODER was born near Weatherford, Oklahoma on October 11, 1927, the son of Mose W. and Barbara (Bender) Yoder. Earl married Edna M. Bontrager on August 10, 1952. He served as a sergeant in the U.S. Marine Corps from 1945 to 1948 and from 1950 to 1952.

In 1952 he started Earl Yoder Construction Company in Iowa City. He would build over 600 area homes and many commercial buildings. Earl was also successful in other businesses, including Old Capitol Motors and Iowa City Ready Mix, which he operated until 2006.

Earl served on many boards, including the Homebuilders Association where he served at the local, state, and national level. He also served in many capacities in government, including membership on the Small Business Administration State and National Advisory Councils, the State Advisory Council for Area Community Colleges, the State Building Code Advisory Council and the Iowa Housing Authority.

Earl was very active in civic affairs. He served as President of the Iowa City Optimist Club, Director of the United Way of Johnson County, Director of Goodwill Industries of Southeast Iowa, and Director of the Iowa City Chamber of Commerce. He was a strong supporter of the University of Iowa and the Iowa Hawkeyes. Earl was a member of East Union Mennonite Church for over 54 years.

A Republican, Mr. Yoder was a member of the Sixty-second General Assembly. (1967-1968)

Earl M. Yoder died on November 29, 2006 at the age of 79.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved By The House Of Representatives Of The Eighty-Second, General Assembly Of Iowa, That in the passing of the Honorable Earl M. Yoder, the State has lost an honored citizen and a faithful and useful public servant, and the House by this Resolution would express its appreciation of his service.

Be It Further Resolved, That a copy of this Resolution be spread upon the Journal of the House, and that the Chief Clerk be directed to forward an enrolled copy to the family of the deceased.

MARY MASCHER
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Committee