



Lewis Alfred Fergerson

August 9, 1917 - September 4, 2020

Lewis Alfred Fergerson September 4, 2020 Lewis "Lew" Alfred Fergerson, of North Syracuse, died Friday, September 4, 2020 at age 103 at his daughter's home in Marietta, Georgia. Lewis was a lifelong resident of North Syracuse and was a descendent of the original Fergerson Family who first settled in North Syracuse in 1826. Lewis was a 1937 graduate of North Syracuse Union Free High School and then went on to attend Central City Business Institute and Syracuse University. From 1946-1951, he was a member of the North Syracuse Union Free Board of Education and as the district became centralized, he served as Treasurer from 1952-1984. He was instrumental in the construction of six elementary schools, two middle schools and a high school during his term as treasurer of the district. In 1981, he received the Certificate of Merit Award from the New York State School Board's Association. He retired from Die Molding Corporation in 1979, where he was Treasurer and Vice President of the corporation for 35 years. In 2009, he was inducted into the North Syracuse Central School District Wall of Distinction. A member of many organizations, Lew was a Life Member of the North Syracuse Volunteer Fire Department, past president of the Syracuse Chapter of Tax Executives Institute Incorporated, as Treasurer of Central City Business Institute, a 43 year member of the North Syracuse Rotary Club, the National Financial Committee of the Society of Plastic Industry, Inc. in New York City and was a lifelong member of Andrews Memorial United Methodist Church. He was a member of the Centerville Lodge No. 648 F&AM and Central City Bodies of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite in the Valley of Syracuse. He received the Grand Lodge of the State of New York 70-year service award. He was also a Life member and Past Patron of Centerville Chapter No. 185, Order of the Eastern Star. In 1978, he joined the Board of Directors of the North Syracuse Cemetery Association where he served as Treasurer, then Vice President until his becoming an Emeritus member in 2015. Lewis was preceded in death by his parents; brother, Walter Fergerson; sisters, Gloria McCurdy and Nina Fergerson and his loving wife, Ruth Bradford Fergerson, to whom he was married for 56 years. Surviving are his daughter, Sondra Corso; three granddaughters, Jennifer (Jeffrey) Crockett of Marietta, GA, Rebecca Corso of Romeoville, IL and Megan (Eric) Walradth of North Syracuse; four great grandchildren Jace Walradth, Kiante Crockett, Ray Crockett and India Crockett; and grand dog Jazzy.

Services will be announced at a later date.

Cemetery

North Syracuse Cemetery

555 South Bay Road

North Syracuse, NY, 13212

Comments



“ A dedicated community person, who helped promote the history and heritage of trees and forests in North Syracuse. I fondly remember his enthusiasm for the recognition of the cemetery oak grove as one of the inspirations for L. Frank Baum's Wizard of Oz.

Robert Henry - November 23, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ I first met Lewie and Ruth at Andrews Memorial and got to know them better when they visited my mother (Addie) and father (Bud) at my parents' camp at Fourth Lake. And, of course, Sony, throughout school. In his later years, my wife (Terry) and I would enjoy running into him at some of our local restaurants. What a joyful and amiable presence! He was, of course, synonymous with the School Board for us all. Beyond all of this, I will never forget when he told me, while chatting on the street: "I saw your father pitch." It was as though he were the voice of "The Field of Dreams." Lewie makes the idea of getting old such an attractive proposition. Terry and I send to you, Sony (and all the family) our warmest regards for the blessing of your father.

Rob Flower - November 23, 2020 at 01:47 PM



“ On behalf of the Sweeting family I am sending condolences to his granddaughter Sondra and family. He was quite the gentlemen and friendly to all. Cousin Lewis's mother also died at 103 years. Good genes. Ruth

Ruth Sweeting - November 23, 2020 at 01:46 PM



“ Mr. Lewis Fergerson, was such a sweet gentleman. His wife, Ruth was quite a nice lady. They still seemed smitten to the end. He was a patient at the dental office i work at. He was always smiling. I am glad i had the chance to know him. may his daughter and family be blessed at this time; knowing that they are together once again.
sincerely, kathy

kathy hepfner - November 23, 2020 at 01:46 PM



“ Offering our deepest condolences during this time.

The Ferguson Family - November 23, 2020 at 01:46 PM