

Donald E Rittierodt in the U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014

Name: Donald E Rittierodt

BORN: 14 Jul 1925

Died: 24 Oct 2012

State (Year) SSN issued: Iowa (Before 1951)

Source Citation

Issue State: Iowa; Issue Date: Before 1951

Source Information

Ancestry.com. U.S., Social Security Death Index, 1935-2014 [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA:

Ancestry.com Operations Inc, 2011.

Original data: Social Security Administration. *Social Security Death Index, Master File*. Social Security Administration.

Description

The Social Security Administration Death Master File contains information on millions of deceased individuals with United States social security numbers whose deaths were reported to the Social Security Administration. Birth years for the individuals listed range from 1875 to last year. Information in these records includes name, birth date, death date, and last known residence. [Learn more...](#)

Donald E Rittierodt

Birth: Jul. 14, 1925
State Center
Marshall County
Iowa, USA

Death: Oct. 24, 2012
Colorado, USA

Donald E Rittierodt, 87, passed on Wednesday, October 24, 2012. Son of William and Alma Henze Ritterodt. Beloved husband of Helen Faircloth Rittierodt. Preceded in death by his parents and brother. Survived by daughter April, son Jerry, and son Dean. Numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. To leave a message of condolence, visit www.moorehowardchapel.com. Olinger Moore Howard Chapel in Dever, Colo, is assisting the family.

Family links:

Parents:

[Wilhelm 'William' Rittierodt \(1899 - 1969\)](#)

[Alma Wilhelmina Henze Ritterodt \(1902 - 1982\)](#)

Sibling:

Donald E Rittierodt (1925 - 2012)

[Gerald William Rittierodt \(1931 - 1972\)*](#)

Burial:

Unknown

Donald Earl Rittierodt
in the U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-
Current

Name: Donald Earl Rittierodt

Birth Date: 14 Jul 1925

Birth Place: State Center, Marshall County, Iowa,
United States of America

Death Date: 24 Oct 2012

Death Place: Colorado, United States of America

Has Bio?: Y

Father: [Wilhelm 'William' Rittierodt](#)

Mother: [Alma Wilhelmina Rittierodt](#)

URL: <https://www.findagrave.com/mem...>

Source Information

Ancestry.com. *U.S., Find A Grave Index, 1600s-Current* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2012.

Original data: *Find A Grave*. Find A Grave. <http://www.findagrave.com/cgi-bin/fg.cgi>.

Description

This database contains an index to cemetery and burial details posted on Find A Grave. Corrections and additions to memorials can be submitted on the Find A Grave site. When viewing a record in this database, you can navigate to the corresponding memorial on Find A Grave by clicking "Go to website" or clicking on the Find A Grave URL. Once viewing the memorial on Find A Grave, corrections can be submitted by clicking the 'edit' tab. [Learn more...](#)

Family Group Sheet for April Sue Rittierodt

Husband: James Burch

Marriage: 23 Dec 1972

Father:

Mother:

Wife: April Sue Rittierodt

Birth: 25 May 1954

Father: Donald Earl Rittierodt

Mother: Helen Jane Faircloth

Children:

Notes:

James A Burch in the **Colorado, Divorce Index, 1851-1985**

Name: James A Burch

Divorce Date: 24 Oct 1974

Divorce Place: Adams, Colorado, USA

Spouse: [April Burch](#)

Record Type: Divorce

Source Information

Ancestry.com. *Colorado, Divorce Index, 1851-1985* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2015.

Original data: Various public records.

Description

If "happily ever after" didn't work out, turn to divorce records to learn more about the family story. Check to see if your ancestors made an appearance in Colorado divorce records. [Learn more...](#)

Family Group Sheet for April Sue Rittierodt

Husband: Joseph Schmitt

Marriage: 17 May 1975

Father:

Mother:

Wife: April Sue Rittierodt

Birth: 25 May 1954

Father: Donald Earl Rittierodt

Mother: Helen Jane Faircloth

Children:

1 Name: Donald Joe Schmitt

M Birth: 30 Oct 1986

2 Name: Andrew Richard Schmitt

M Birth: 12 Sep 1990

Notes:

Family Group Sheet for Jerry Lee Rittierodt

Husband: Jerry Lee Rittierodt

Birth: 11 Mar 1956
Marriage: 15 May 1976 in Adams County, Colorado
Father: Donald Earl Rittierodt
Mother: Helen Jane Faircloth

Wife: Susan Ann Maurer

Father:
Mother:

Children:

1 Name: Tiffany Ann Rittierodt
F Birth: 12 Aug 1978
 Marriage: 14 Aug 1999 in Adams County, Colorado
 Spouse: John Thomas Herrington

2 Name: David Rittierodt
M Birth: 05 May 1979

3 Name: Christopher Lee Rittierodt
M Birth: 23 Dec 1982
 Marriage: 24 Feb 2005 in Adams County, Colorado
 Spouse: Cheryl Ann Daniels

Notes:

Jerry Lee Rittierodt in the Web: Adams County, Colorado, Marriage License Index, 1960-2010

Name: Jerry Lee Rittierodt

Spouse: [Susan Ann Mauer](#)

Marriage Date: 19 May 1976

Marriage Place: Adams, Colorado, United States of
America

URL: <http://apps.adcogov.org/oncore...>

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Original data: *Adams County, Colorado Web Public Search*. Adams County, Colorado, Clerk and Recorder's Office. <http://apps.adcogov.org/oncoreweb/>.

Description

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Family Group Sheet for Tiffany Ann Rittierodt

Husband: John Thomas Herrington

Birth: 08 Jan 1970
Marriage: 14 Aug 1999 in Adams County, Colorado
Father:
Mother:

Wife: Tiffany Ann Rittierodt

Birth: 12 Aug 1978
Father: Jerry Lee Rittierodt
Mother: Susan Ann Maurer

Children:

Notes:

Tiffany Ann Rittierodt in the Web: Adams County, Colorado, Marriage License Index, 1960-2010

Name: Tiffany Ann Rittierodt

Spouse: [John Thomas Herrington](#)

Marriage Date: 17 Aug 1999

Marriage Place: Adams, Colorado, United States of
America

URL: <http://apps.adcogov.org/oncore...>

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Family Group Sheet for Tiffany Ann Rittierodt

Husband: Clayton Walter Stepp Jr

Marriage: 12 Oct 2005 in Adams County, Colorado

Father:

Mother:

Wife: Tiffany Ann Rittierodt

Birth: 12 Aug 1978

Father: Jerry Lee Rittierodt

Mother: Susan Ann Maurer

Children:

Notes:

Tiffany Ann Rittierodt in the Web: Adams County, Colorado, Marriage License Index, 1960-2010

Name: Tiffany Ann Rittierodt

Spouse: [Jr Clayton Walter Stepp](#)

Marriage Date: 12 Oct 2005

Marriage Place: Adams, Colorado, United States of
America

URL: <http://apps.adcogov.org/oncore...>

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Family Group Sheet for Christopher Lee Rittierodt

Husband: Christopher Lee Rittierodt

Birth: 23 Dec 1982
Marriage: 24 Feb 2005 in Adams County, Colorado
Father: Jerry Lee Rittierodt
Mother: Susan Ann Maurer

Wife: Cheryl Ann Daniels

Father:
Mother:

Children:

Notes:

Christopher Lee Rittierodt in the Web: Adams County, Colorado, Marriage License Index, 1960-2010

Name: Christopher Lee Rittierodt

Spouse: [Cheryl Ann Daniels](#)

Marriage Date: 24 Feb 2005

Marriage Place: Adams, Colorado, United States of
America

URL: <http://apps.adcogov.org/oncore...>

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Family Group Sheet for Dean Alan Rittierodt

Husband: Dean Alan Rittierodt

Birth: 26 Oct 1962 in Marshalltown, Marshall County, Iowa
Marriage: 05 Dec 2001 in Adams County, Colorado
Father: Donald Earl Rittierodt
Mother: Helen Jane Faircloth

Wife: Belinda F Cole

Father:
Mother:

Children:

Notes:

Dean Alan Rittierodt
in the Web: Adams County, Colorado,
Marriage License Index, 1960-2010

Name: Dean Alan Rittierodt

Spouse: [Belinda F Cole](#)

Marriage Date: 5 Dec 2001

Marriage Place: Adams, Colorado, United States of America

URL: <http://apps.adcogov.org/oncore...>

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Family Group Sheet for Dora Jean Rittierodt

Husband: Richard Raymond Pfantz

Birth: 16 May 1926 in State Center, Marshall County, Iowa
Marriage: 16 Jan 1947 in State Center, Marshall County, Iowa
Death: 07 Jul 2014 in State Center, Marshall County, Iowa
Father:
Mother:

Wife: Dora Jean Rittierodt

Birth: 16 Dec 1927 in Marshall County, Iowa
Father: Wilhelm 'William' Rittierodt
Mother: Alma Wilhelmina Henze

Children:

1 Name: Larry R Pfantz
M Birth: 06 Sep 1948 in Marshall County, Iowa
 Marriage: 06 Jun 1970 in Waverly, Iowa
 Spouse: Ann Maureen Sauerbrei

2 Name: Dennis Ray Pfantz
M Birth: 17 Oct 1949 in Marshalltown, Marshall County, Iowa
 Death: 17 Jun 1967 in Leon, Iowa
 Burial: 20 Jun 1967 in Hillside Cemetery, State Center, Marshall county, Iowa

3 Name: Rodney William Pfantz
M Birth: 22 Nov 1953 in Marshall County, Iowa
 Marriage: 25 Nov 1977
 Spouse: Deloris Joan 'Lori' Desher

Notes:

Dora Jean Rittierodt in the U.S., Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Records, 1875-1940

Name: Dora Jean Rittierodt

Event Type: Baptism

Birth Date: 16 Dec 1927

Baptism Date: 22 Jan 1928

Baptism Place: State Center, Iowa

Father: [Wm Rittierodt](#)

Mother: [Alma Henzey](#)

Church Name: St Paul

Church Location: State Center, Iowa

Source Information

Ancestry.com. *U.S., Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Records, 1875-1940* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2015.

Original data: Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. ELCA, Birth, Marriage, Deaths. Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Chicago, Illinois.

Description

Search baptism, confirmation, marriage, and burial records from more than 2,000 Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) congregations, from the mid-19th century through the early 20th century. [Learn more...](#)

Tauf-Register

Für das Jahr

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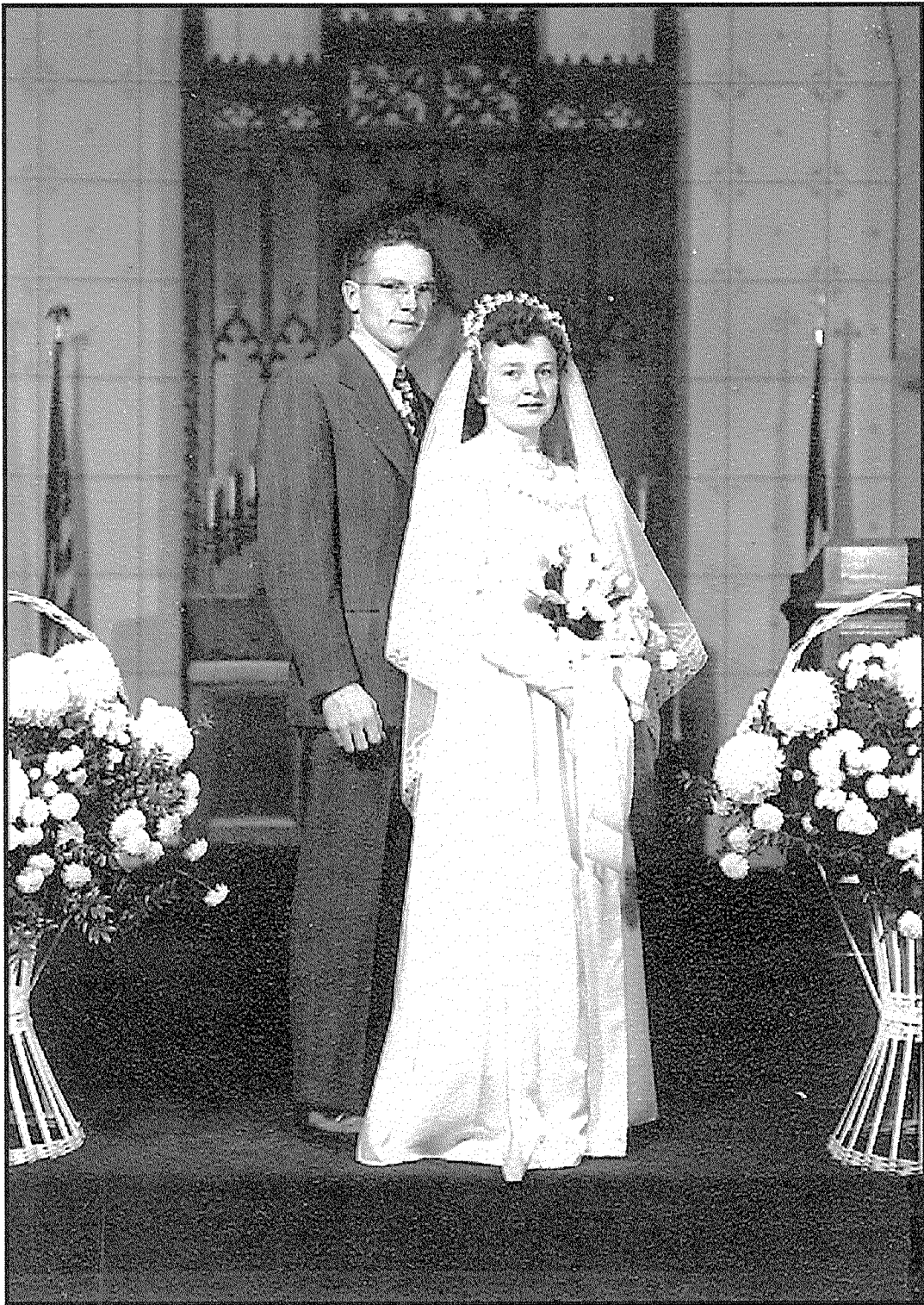
305	Dora Jean Rittierodt	Dec. 16, 1927	Jan. 22, 1928	Wm. Rittierodt Alma ^{nee} Henry	Clara Henry Marie Swartz
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Dora Jean Rittierodt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rittierodt is making a good recovery this week from her illness. Dora Jean has had a mild case of typhoid fever and altho still confined to her bed is feeling much improved at this time.

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HIGH SCORER

Dora Jean Rittierodt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rittierodt, who is attending Central Iowa Business College in Marshalltown this year, was the leading scorer in the girls industrial league during the session just ended. Dora Jean garnered 61 points in four games for a 15.3 average. Dora Jean, graduate of the local high school, was a regular forward on the State Center girls sextet previous to her graduation.



Richard Raymond and Dora Jean Rittierodt Pfantz

Miss Dora Jean Rittierodt And Richard Pfantz Are Married Here On Sunday



—Kenn's Studio

MR. AND MRS. PFANTZ

Lovely in its simplicity was the wedding of Miss Dora Jean Rittierodt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Rittierodt and Richard Pfantz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Pfantz, all of State Center, which occurred on Sunday afternoon, November 16 at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church. The Rev. Elmer J. Braun, pastor of the church, read the marriage lines for the single ring ceremony at two-thirty o'clock in the presence of relatives and friends of the bridal couple.

The couple repeated their vows before the altar prettily decorated with two large floor baskets of shaggy white chrysanthemums and yellow button mums and pompons. The two gold altar vases were filled with bouquets of white pompons.

Mrs. Clarence Meier presided at the organ for the nuptial music, playing the traditional wedding marches and accompanying Denny Swartz, cousin of the bride, who sang "O Perfect Love" and "Today, O Lord We at Thine Altar Stand."

Given in marriage by her father, the bride was charming in a gown of white slipper satin fashioned with a round neckline and long bridal point sleeves; the bodice designed with a net yolk outlined with a band of seed pearls. Her long full skirt swirled to the floor. She wore a finger-tip double tulle veil edged with deep lace and arranged with a coronet of seed pearls in orange blossom

design. Her double strand of pearls was a gift of the bridegroom and her bouquet was of yellow and white roses tied with wide satin ribbon.

Mrs. Verle Thursby of Marshalltown attended the bride as matron of honor and was attractively gowned in poudre blue in made with square neckline, sleeves, gathered bodice and full skirt. She wore a ing blue tulle shoulder veil and carried yellow and white pompons tied (in white satin ribbons.

..... Thursby served as best the ushers were Donald brother of the bride, and Dale Hilleman, cousin of the bridegroom. The men of the bridal party wore white carnation Boutonnieres.

The mother of the bride was attired in blue crepe with silver nailhead trim with which she wore black accessories and a corsage of Talisman roses and white pompons tied with silver ribbon.

The groom's mother wore forest green crepe with gold sequin trimming and her corsage was also of Talisman roses and white pompons tied with gold ribbons.

A reception for the bridal party and immediate families was held at the home of the bride's parents following the service. The serving table was centered with a two-tiered wedding cake in blue and white and topped with a miniature bridal couple. The base of the cake was wreathed with tiny white pompons and flanked with white tapers in crystal holders. White napkins were lettered with "Dick and Jean" and blue and white nut cups provided further appointments. Dining room hostesses were Mrs. Raymond Bernard of New Providence and Mrs. C. J. Failor of Rhodes assisted by the Misses Evelyn Bernard and Dorine Pfantz.

The couple left following the reception on a short wedding trip and upon their return will make their home in Marshalltown. The bride wore a light blue dress with black accessories for traveling.

Mrs. Pfantz is a graduate of the State Center high school with the class of 1945 and was active in girls' basketball while in school. She attended Central Iowa Business College in Marshalltown for a year and the past year has been employed as secretary at the Thrifty Lady Dress Shop in Marshalltown in which position she will continue.

Mr. Pfantz is also a graduate of the local high school and is a veteran of World War II, serving both at home and overseas. He has been engaged in farming with his father but is now employed by the Mid-West Home Construction company in Marshalltown.

Attending the wedding from out of town were guests from Marshalltown, Laurel, Rhodes, Farrar, New Providence and St. Anthony.

Richard R Pfantz
in the U.S., World War II Army Enlistment
Records, 1938-1946

Name: Richard R Pfantz

Birth Year: 1926

Race: White, citizen (White)

Nativity State or Country: Iowa

State of Residence: Iowa

County or City: Marshall

Enlistment Date: 8 Dec 1944

Enlistment State: Minnesota

Enlistment City: Fort Snelling

Branch: No branch assignment

Branch Code: No branch assignment

Grade: Private

Grade Code: Private

Term of Enlistment: Enlistment for the duration of the War or other emergency, plus six months, subject to the discretion of the President or otherwise according to law

Component: Selectees (Enlisted Men)

Source: Civil Life

Education: 3 years of high school

Marital Status: Single, without dependents

Height: 00

Weight: 000

Source Information

Ancestry.com. *U.S., World War II Army Enlistment Records, 1938-1946* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2005.

Original data: National Archives and Records Administration. Electronic Army Serial Number Merged File, 1938-1946 [Archival Database]; ARC: [1263923](#). World War II Army Enlistment Records; Records of the National Archives and Records Administration, Record Group 64; National Archives at College Park. College Park, Maryland, U.S.A.

Description

This database contains information on about 8.3 million men and women who enlisted in the U.S. Army during World War II. Information contained in this database usually includes: name of enlistee, army serial number, residence (county and state), [Learn more...](#)

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Richard R Pfantz in the Iowa, World War II Bonus Case Files, 1947-1954

Name: Richard R Pfantz

Birth Date: 16 May 1926

Birth Place: State Center, Iowa

Application Date: 6 May 1949

Application Place: State Center, Iowa, USA

Source Information

Ancestry.com. *Iowa, World War II Bonus Case Files, 1947-1954* [database on-line]. Provo, UT, USA: Ancestry.com Operations, Inc., 2014.

Original data: WWII Bonus Case Files. State Historical Society of Iowa, Des Moines, Iowa.

Description

Iowa offered its WWII vets a bonus. Did your ancestor apply? [Learn more...](#)

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◀ PFANTZ

Richard and Dora Jean Pfantz of Colo will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Nov. 16. Richard Pfantz and Dora Jean Rittierodt were married in 1947 at the St Paul Lutheran Church in State Center. Their sons and families are hosting a card shower in honor of the occasion as well as a weekend in the Amanas for their families and friends. The couple has three sons and five grandchildren. Cards may be sent to the Pfantz's at Box 87, Colo, 50056.

Pfantz 60th Anniversary



Richard Pfantz and Dora Jean Rittierodt were united in marriage on November 16, 1947, at St Paul's Lutheran Church in State Center. Dick and Jean plan to celebrate their 60th wedding anniversary with a family gathering. Their family includes two sons and daughters-in-law, five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

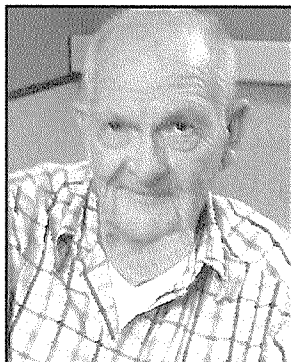
If you would like to congratulate them, please send cards and greetings to Mr/Mrs Richard Pfantz, PO Box 87, Colo, IA 50056.

Richard Raymond Pfantz, 88, State Center

Richard Raymond Pfantz, 88, of State Center, IA, passed away peacefully on Monday, July 7, 2014, at the State Center Nursing and Rehab Center with several family members present.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, July 12, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. at St Paul Lutheran Church in State Center with Pastor Joan Swander officiating. Visitation was held from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm on Friday, July 11, 2014, at the church, 605 1st Ave North. Richard was laid to rest with military honors provided by Harry C. Harter Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #839 and American Legion Frank Lewis Glick Post #46 in the Hillside Cemetery following services.

Richard Raymond Pfantz was born May 16, 1926, to Raymond and Grace (Meservey) Pfantz of rural State Center. He grew up on "the farm" north of State Center surrounded by a close family of aunts, uncles and cousins. In 1944 he was drafted into military service while yet a senior in high school. He served as a communications specialist throughout the Pacific during World War II. On November 16, 1947, Richard married Dora Jean Rittierodt at St Paul Lutheran Church in State Center. The family farmed for many years in the State Center and Colo areas until 1965. The family then moved to the Colo community where Richard worked for Farren Implement and eventually for J. I. Case affiliates in Nevada and Boone. He was active in his community by serving on the Colo City Council, the Colo Telephone Board, and the Colo Volunteer Fire Dept and also as Boy Scout Cubmaster. Richard was also a faithful and active



member of St Paul Lutheran Church throughout his life having also served on church council.

Richard was known as "Richard" and "Rich" and "Dick," but his favorite nicknames were "Grandpa" and "Great-Grandpa." He was always happiest when helping his sons with various re-modeling projects and/or watching over his "grand" and "great-grand" children.

Left to cherish Richard's memory are his wife of 66 years, Dora Jean of State Center; two sons, Larry (Ann) Pfantz of Marshalltown and Rod (Jeanine) Pfantz of Nevada; his grandchildren, Jenni (Amy Hedblom) Pfantz of Mingo, Jeff (Jennifer) Pfantz of Marshalltown, Jamie Pfantz of Ames, Rodney Pfantz of Nevada and Kelsi (Billy) Black of Durand, WI. He will also be missed by his great-grandchildren Kaylem, Emma, Peyton, Nicholas, Wyatt and expected baby Black. Also surviving are sisters Pauline (Leonard) Beck and Carol (Richard) Stowell and brother Robert (Gloria) Pfantz.

In death Richard has re-joined his son Dennis, parents Raymond and Grace, step-mother Rivola, and half-sister LaVoy.

Memorials for Richard may be directed to his family or the Contribution Fund at the State Center Nursing and Rehab Center in State Center, IA.

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State Center
Marshall County
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State Center
Marshall County
Iowa, USA

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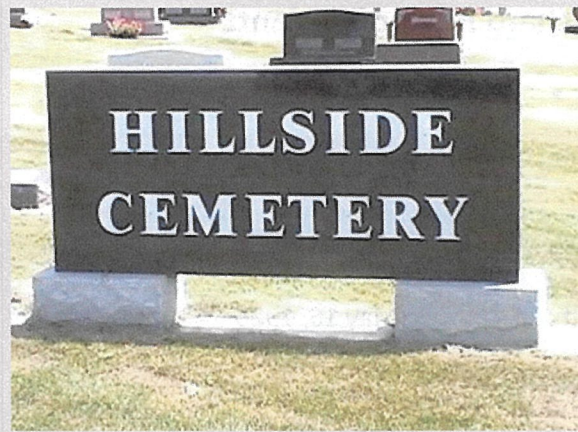
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In death Richard has rejoined his son Dennis, parents Raymond and Grace, step-mother Rivola, and half-sister LaVoy.

Funeral services for Richard Raymond Pfantz, 88, of State Center, were held on Saturday, July 12, 2014, at St. Paul Lutheran church in State Center. Reverend Joan Swander officiated the service. Special music was performed by Randy Hilleman and Dona Veren. Jenni Pfantz, Amy Hedblom, Jeff Pfantz, Jennifer Pfantz, Jamie Pfantz, Rodney Pfantz, II, Kelsi Black and Billy Black served as pallbearers.



Honorary pallbearers Kaylem Martin, Emma Pfantz, Peyton Pfantz, Nicholas Pfantz, Wyatt Black and Expected Baby Black served as honorary pallbearers. Military honors were performed by Veterans of Foreign Wars Harry C. Harter Post #839 and American Legion Frank Lewis Glick Post #46. Guests Were present from the Mashalltown Mens Chorus, Iowa River Hospice, State Center manor, and Care Initiative Hospice.

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Family links:

Parents:

[Raymond Washington Pfantz \(1905 - 1987\)](#)

[Grace Mildred Merservey Pfantz \(1908 - 1943\)](#)

Children:

[Dennis Ray Pfantz \(1949 - 1967\)*](#)

Burial

[Hillside Cemetery](#)

State Center

Marshall County

Iowa, USA