

Edwin Rigby 08/13/96

COLLEGE PLACE - Edwin Hillis Rigby, 97, of 2433 W. Rose St. died Aug. 11, 1996, at the Regency Care Center.

Those who wish may call from noon to 5 p.m. Wednesday, 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Thursday and 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at Mountain View Funeral Chapel, 1551 Dalles Military Road. The funeral will be there at 4 p.m. Friday. Pastor John Stafford will officiate. Burial will follow in Mount Hope Cemetery, College Place.

Mr. Rigby was born March 31, 1899, in Bear River City, Utah, to Milo and Elizabeth Hillis Rigby. They moved to Glendive, Mont., in 1907 to a small farm on the banks of the Yellowstone River.

He went to work for Northern Pacific Railroad at 17 and advanced to the position of engineer. On May 18, 1925, he married Katherine May "Katie" Cruikshank in Pomona, Calif. The couple had been students together when they were children. He visited her three times in California while wooing her, and convinced her to marry him and come back to live in Glendive.

They had three daughters, for whom he was quite proud to provide a Christian education at Ellis Academy and Walla Walla College. During the Depression era, with work on the railroad being almost nonexistent for several years, he supported his family by selling J.R. Watkins products.

After 48 years, he retired from the railroad in 1966 and the couple moved to College Place to be near their family. He enjoyed cutting and polishing rocks, especially Montana agates. He had amassed a rock collection while working on the railroad, spending his leisure hours strolling beside the Yellowstone River and gathering agates.

He loved gardening and was proud of the large tomatoes he raised in College Place. He was a 30-year member of the College Place Seventh-day Adventist Church and served there as a deacon.

Surviving are his wife, at home; three daughters and sons-in-law, Arline and Leo Fritchner and Betty and Grover Rose, all of College Place; and Valerie and Arthur White of Keene, Texas; two sisters; a brother; 11 grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren.

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