

Ralph Norris

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Ralph Norris, 83, of Newton, formerly of Rock Creek, died Tuesday, June 8, 2010, at Skiff Medical Center in Newton.

A funeral service will be held Saturday, June 12, at First Baptist Church in Newton. A lunch will be served and the funeral will be at 2 p.m. His family will greet friends Friday, June 11, from 6 to 8 p.m. at Wallace Family Funeral Home in Newton.

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Ralph L. Norris, 83, of Newton, formerly of Rock Creek, died Tuesday, June 8, 2010, in Newton.

A funeral service was held Saturday, June 12, at First Baptist Church in Newton. Memorials may be made to First Baptist Church in Newton or the Jasper County Museum.

He was born Jan. 5, 1927, in Modena, Mo., the son of Charles Elza and Lula Mae Canfield Norris. He graduated from Princeton High School in Princeton, Mo. He was united in marriage with Twylia Faye Moss on May 4, 1946, in Trey, Kan. He worked as a research technician for the Maytag Company for 44 years, retiring in 1992 as supervisor of product development.

He had been a member of First Baptist Church since 1956, serving as trustee and a member of many boards; a 50-year member of Newton Lodge 359, AF&AM; worshipful master of Meridian Lodge #280, Kellogg; a 50-year member of Newton Rotary; Newton chapter, Order of the Eastern Star; and Maytag Management Club.

He is survived by his wife Twylia Norris of Newton; his daughters and son, Ellen Devault of Waterloo, Ill., Kathy Fifer of Newton and Les Norris of Guttenberg; nine grandchildren, and 21 great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents; his brothers Tom, George, Frank, Fred, Arthur, Robert and his twin Raymond, and two sisters, Alice Norris Weisbrod, and Lenora Norris Girdner.