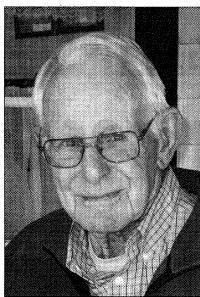
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Norman Pierce



Norman Pierce, 95, died peacefully in his sleep on February 16, 2025, at the Bluffs in Columbia, Mo.

Norman was born March 18, 1929, in Boone County, Mo., to A.G. and Mildred Pierce. He grew up in Boone County and attended country school. The family moved to Burlington, Iowa, and then Monticello, Kan., for employment during WWII then returned to Boone County where he graduated from Hickman High School and attended the University of Missouri for a semester.

He began a long career with General Telephone when he was hired to climb poles in 1949 after an ice storm. He

worked his way up through the ranks into the engineering department in Grinnell and retired after 38 years of service in both Iowa and Missouri. He was then dedicated to the construction of Forum Christian Church, completed in 1992, as building supervisor. He was united in marriage to Lois June McGee on August 13, 1949. To this union were born three children.

He is survived by his children, Dave (Cathy) Pierce, Tom (Margene) Pierce, and Nancy (Mark) Hendrickson, all of Grinnell, Iowa; 14 grandchildren and their spouses; 32 great grandchildren; two sisters, MaryBeth Robertson of Michigan and Dana (Bill) Devine of Arizona; brothers-in-law, Dave Strodtman of Hallsville, Mo., and Samuel Ganz of Corpus Christi, Tex., sister-in-law Marsha Pierce of Richland, Ga.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, A.G. and Mildred Pierce; his wife, June; three sisters Beverly Ganz Hight, Ruth Strodtman and Jane Zepeda; brother-in-law Tony Zepeda; and one brother Greg Pierce.