

Russell Ladely

Russell C. Ladely, 101, of Ewart died Saturday, March 23, at Richfield Health Center, Richfield, Minn.

Funeral services were held March 27 in Watts Funeral Home in Montezuma with Bob Zirkelbach, pastor of Grace Community Church in Grinnell, officiating. Military graveside rites were held by members of Blakely-Stevens Post of the American Legion in Montezuma. Interment was in Pleasant Township Cemetery in Ewart. Memorials may be made to Richfield Health Center, Richfield, Minn.

He was born Feb. 8, 1901 in Deep River, the son of Frank and Jenny Allum Ladely. He was raised by a family member and joined the United States Navy in 1920, assigned to the USS Olympia and was on the ship's last voyage from France to the United States which carried home the unknown soldier from World War I who is buried at Arlington National Cemetery. On Feb. 4, 1927, he was married to Dorothy B. Sanders in New Sharon. The couple farmed north of Ewart for 51 years. He was a horse trainer and horses always were of interest to him.

He is survived by one daughter Mary Iverson of Apple Valley, Minn.; three grandsons and three great grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, his wife, five sisters and five brothers.

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