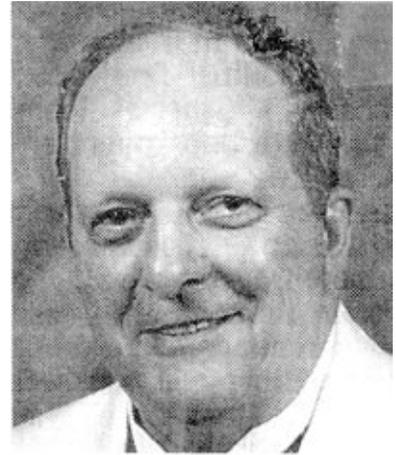


## **Raymond P. Atkinson**

NEW GLARUS-MONTICELLO, WISCONSIN - Mr. Raymond P. Atkinson, age 65, of New Glarus, Wisconsin, passed away on Saturday, September 4, 1999 at St. Mary's Medical Center in Madison.

He was born July 22, 1934 at Boscobel, Wisconsin, the son of Clarence and Laura [Patton] Atkinson. Ray attended Boscobel schools and graduated from Muscoda High School, Class of 1952. On September 20, 1958, he was united in marriage to the former Lorraine M. Peterson at the Central Lutheran Church in Madison.



Ray was a member of the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church in New Glarus, New Glarus Masonic Lodge #310 having served as Master in 1979 and 1980, New Glarus Chapter 108, Alpha Chapter #114 of the Order of Eastern Star in Argyle, Worthy Grand Patron of the Order of the Eastern Star of Wisconsin 1998-1999. He was also a member of the Monticello Business and Professionals Association which he had served as President, Director of the Bank of Monticello, Past President of the New Glarus Lions Club and had served with the Wisconsin Air National Guard, retiring after 30 years. He was co-owner of Freitag-Atkinson Agency of Monticello before retiring. He had been an insurance claims adjuster for General Casualty Insurance for 13 years prior to joining the Freitag Agency.

Survivors include his wife, Lorraine M. Atkinson of New Glarus; two sons, Dale (Marjorie) Atkinson of Monticello, and Dean Atkinson of New Glarus; two grandchildren, Ross and Drew; two step grandchildren, Loren and Adam; a former daughter-in-law, Janet Hebl of Appleton; a very dear friend, Diane Williamson of Waterloo; four brothers, Leland (Laura) Atkinson of Appleton, LeRoy Atkinson of Cairo, West Virginia, Richard (Beverly) Atkinson of Watertown, Wisconsin, and Theodore Atkinson of Mt. Horeb; his mother-in-law, Mary Peterson of Sun Prairie; his faithful companion dog, Abby; and many nieces, nephews and many, many friends. He was preceded in death by his parents; a sister, Mae Orth; and a brother, Frank Atkinson.

Funeral Services will be held on Wednesday, September 8, 1999 at 11:00 am. at the SHEPHERD OF THE HILLS LUTHERAN CHURCH, 506 12th Avenue, New Glarus, Wisconsin. The Reverend Ronald Nybrotten will officiate with burial in the Highland Cemetery, Monticello where Masonic Graveside Services will be held.

Relatives and friends may call from 3:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Tuesday, September 7, 1999 at the ZENTNER-BEAL FUNERAL HOME, 29 6th Avenue, New Glarus, where an Eastern Star Service will be held at 8:00 p.m. A memorial fund has been established in his memory.