

# Lloyd B. Reed And Wilhelmina Easton Married Saturday

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Lloyd Byron Reed, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Reed of Bingham township, and Miss Wilhelmina, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Easton of Dewitt, were united in marriage Saturday afternoon, December 28, 1929. The ceremony was performed by Rev. G. S. Northrup at his home in St. Johns. The bride and groom were attended by Mildred Weismiller and E. J. Niemala, both of Lansing.

Mrs. Reed is a teacher in the public schools of Jackson while her husband is engaged in the dairy business at that city. They will reside in Jackson.



*The most joyous of occasions  
is the union of man and woman  
in the celebration of life . . .*

*Jennifer Lynne Edin*

*and*

*Christopher Dieter Smith*

*will vow their lives to one another forever*

*on Saturday, the thirteenth of June*

*Nineteen hundred ninety-eight*

*Mr. and Mrs. Quentin Alverson*

*and*

*Mr. and Mrs. Dieter Smith*

*invite you to join with them in asking*

*God's blessing upon this holy union*

*at six-thirty in the evening*

*Michigan State University Alumni Chapel*

*East Lansing, Michigan*

*Dinner and Dance Reception*

*immediately following ceremony*

*Michigan Athletic Club*

*2900 Hannah Boulevard, East Lansing*

*We have experienced love  
in our families and friends  
and now a new love in each other.  
With sincere joy and a firm desire  
to give this love its fullest expression . . .*

*Lynne Edin*

*and*

*Quentin Alverson*

*request the honour of your presence*

*at our marriage*

*on Saturday, March eighteenth*

*at four o'clock*

*DeWitt Community Church*

*505 Webb Drive*

*DeWitt, Michigan*

*Reception immediately following  
Prairie Creek 800 Webb Drive*

*No Gifts Please*



# ELEVATOR MANAGER AT DEWITT PASSES

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CONDUCT FUNERAL SERVICES  
SATURDAY FOR FRANK  
ELDRIDGE, AGED 70

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Frank E. Eldridge, 70, manager of the Breisch elevator at Dewitt, and a resident of Clinton county most of his life, died at Clinton Memorial hospital Wednesday night, Nov. 9. Last rites were held at 2 p. m. Saturday at the Eberts funeral home. Rev. G. S. Northrup officiated, with burial in Mt. Rest cemetery.

Born in Bengal township July 15, 1868, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Eldridge, he was married Sept. 16, 1896, to Miss Cora Havens of Bengal. They resided in Cleveland, O., 20 years and moved to Dewitt 21 years ago.

Besides his widow he leaves a brother, William Eldridge of Schoolcraft, and two sisters, Mrs. Adam Brockman of Olive, and Mrs. Arthur Kellogg of Bengal, in addition to other relatives and many friends.



## **ELROD, HARRY O. "PETE"**

### **DeWitt**

Born January 18, 1929 in Liberty, SC; died February 7, 1997 at the age of 68. Mr. Elrod served in the U.S. Marine Corps. He was a 32nd Degree Mason and member of DeWitt Lodge #272 F. & A.M., member of DeWitt Chapter #30 O.E.S., past Patron of Perry-Laingsburg Chapter #221 O.E.S. and past Master of Laingsburg Lodge #230 F. & A.M. He was President of Central Michigan Amateur Radio Club-N8EST. Surviving are his wife of 48 years, Rowena (KA80BS); 1 daughter, Karen (Robert) Smeltzer of Kalamazoo; 2 grandchildren, Christopher Turek of Fort Hood, TX and Matthew Turek of Kalamazoo. Funeral services will be held **Tuesday, February 11, 1 p.m. at the Asbury United Methodist Church, 2200 Lake Lansing Rd., Lansing**, with the Rev. Benton R. Heisler, Pastor officiating. Interment will follow in Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens. Friends may call at the Gorsline-Runciman Co. Lansing Chapel, 900 E. Michigan Ave., Lansing, beginning Sunday, 7 p.m. where the family will receive friends from 7-9 p.m. and Monday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Masonic services will be provided by DeWitt Lodge #272 F. & A.M., Monday, 8 p.m. Those desiring may make contributions to the Church in memory of Mr. Elrod.



**Bruce B. Dunn**

**Thomas E. Hoffmeyer**

**Bruce W. Gorsline**

### Obituary.

Wm. Emery was born in Albion, Michigan, March 25, 1843, and died July 11th, 1917. He came with his parents to DeWitt in 1861. In 1862 he enlisted in Company A, 23rd Regiment, Michigan Infantry, and served his country for three years. He was married to Alma Forman September 3, 1865. Four children were born to them. One son, Earl, passed to the better land February 10th, 1902. His wife and three children survive him. Mrs. Maud Wallace of DeWitt, Park Emery of McNeal, Arizona, and Clifton, of Salt Lake City, Utah. Two sisters, Mrs. Matilda Rose of Willow Springs, Mo., and Mrs. Harriett Chamberlain of Balfour, N. D.

He was a kind father, husband and neighbor and will be greatly missed by his family.

Sleep, dear loved one sleep,

Life's rocky steps are past.

In pastures green, by waters still,

Thy tired feet rest at last.

His funeral was held at his late home Friday afternoon, Rev. G. T. Fisher of Delta, a very dear friend of the deceased, officiating. Rev. W. H. Thompson sang some beautiful selections. Interment in DeWitt cemetery.

### Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank all who assisted us in any way during the sickness and death of our dear husband and father, and we appreciate the beautiful flowers contributed, and the pastor for his comforting words and for the sweet singing by Rev. W. H. Thompson.—Mrs. Wm. Emery, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Wilcox, Mr. and Mrs. Clifton Emery, Mr. and Mrs. Parke Emery.



## Melba Ernst Becomes Bride Of Edwin Mohnke In Riley Ceremony

On November 2, 1932, a beautiful fall wedding was solemnized at the Riley Lutheran church when Edwin Mohnke, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Mohnke of Bengal township, took as his bride Melba Ernst of Riley township. The ceremony was performed by Rev. F. Coelner, pastor of the church. They entered the church to the strains of Mendelsohn's wedding march, played by Esther Luecht. The procession was escorted to the altar by Master Dennis Irrer, cousin of the bride and groom and the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Irrer, acting as ring-bearer, attired in a white wool crepe suit, carrying the ring on a satin pillow, and little Miss Neva Martens, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Martens, and cousin of the bride and groom, in the role of flower girl carrying a basket of flowers. She was dressed in a delicate shade of green crepe.

The bride wore a white satin dress trimmed with fur and wore a veil which terminated with a train. She carried a bridal bouquet of chrysanthemums and "baby mums," gathered with shower of ribbons. Doris Schumaker and Rosina Martens, friends of the bride, were bridesmaids. They wore pink silk crepe gowns, ostrich trimmed, and carried bouquets of pink and white snapdragons. Herman Mohnke, Jr., brother of the groom, and Carl Ernst brother of the bride, attended the groom. The church was tastily decorated with autumn leaves, chrysanthemums and fall flowers. The home also was nicely decorated.

Out-of-town guests were Harold Gable and sisters Dorothy and Mrs. Gerhart Gable of Pigeon, Mich., Miss Gwendelyn Ernst, sister of the bride and Mr. and Mrs. William Lemmine and son of Ionia.

The groom is a very successful and promising young farmer in this community. The bride is a charming young lady with several accomplishments. They will make their home on a farm in Bengal township, section 33.

On Thursday preceding the wedding, the neighbors pleasantly surprised the bride-elect with a kitchen shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stiffler, with whom Melba has made her home since the death of her mother several years ago. On Sunday evening the young people of the church gave her a surprise shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Schumaker, Miss Doris Schumaker acting as hostess. In each case light refreshments were served by the hostesses. Many useful presents were given.

Mr. and Mrs. Mohnke will be at home after a short time in their new home. A wedding dance was enjoyed by many of their friends at the Fowler opera house the evening of the wedding.



# George Estes, First Male White Child Born In This City, Dies

**Funeral Services Conducted  
For 79-Year-Old Pioneer  
Resident April 17th**

In the death of George A. Estes Sunday, April 14, St. Johns lost a resident who literally "grew up with the town." The first male white child to be born here, he spent his whole life, nearly 80 years, in this city, and watched the development of the town from its earliest backwoods days.

Tradition has it that the first white child born in St. Johns was the daughter of one Charles Cobb, the event occurring in the summer of 1855, the child dying the following year. On Oct. 3, 1856, a son, George A. Estes, arrived at the home of George W. Estes one of the original pioneer settlers here.

When George was born the rail way had not been built to St. Johns. At that time the young village consisted of a hotel, store and sawmill. George was upwards of two years old when the first locomotive chugged into town. He attended the first school, located at the corner of Walker and Mead streets on land now occupied by the Episcopal church. Among his play fellows were Indian boys, and he often saw bear and deer on the edge of town.

As a young man George learned the printer's trade which he followed until poor health made a change of occupation necessary. He then became a horse dealer, buying and selling many fine driving horses. At one time he served as city marshal and in later years conducted a draying business.

On June 26, 1884, he was united in marriage to Mrs. Eliza Valen-

line. She passed away in the spring of 1911 and in 1912 he mar-

ried Miss Eva Loomis of Pewamo.

For the past several years Mr. Estes was in failing health and unable to work. He was taken to the hospital last week and passed away at 1 o'clock Sunday afternoon.

Besides his widow he leaves two brothers, Louis of St. Johns, and

Charles of Brooklyn, Michigan; five nephews, two nieces, other relatives and many friends.

Funeral services were held at 3 p. m. Wednesday at the Osgood funeral home. Rev. W. R. Prescott officiated and burial was made in Mt. Rest cemetery.