



Louis Gish

September 20, 1912 - October 15, 2008

Louis “Lou” Gish was born September 20, 1912 on main street Onamia, MN in the upstairs of Gish’s Dry Goods Store to the late William & Siddie (Oby) Gish. He grew up in Onamia and graduated from Onamia High School in 1931. Lou was united in marriage to Maxine O. Pickering on November 24, 1934 in Minneapolis, MN. He worked in his fathers store and opened a Standard Oil Station in Onamia before going to the Twin Cities. The family returned to Onamia to live. In 1957 Lou began employment with Ford Motor Company, and remained their for twenty-one years, until his retirement in 1977. He was known as Onamia’s historian having a wealth of photos and memories of events spanning the last century. In June of 2008 Lou and Maxine celebrated the 100th anniversary of Onamia’s history serving as grand marshals for the town’s parade. Lou was an active member of the Masons. He enjoyed bowling, hunting, fishing, trapping, and playing basketball and softball in his younger years. Reminiscing with friends and family at the local cafe, coin collecting, and caring for his lawn and house was how he liked to spend his time. Lou was a faithful member of Bethany Lutheran Church in Onamia. He will be greatly missed.

Louis C. Gish is survived by his wife, Maxine; daughters, Linda (Sheldon) Johnson of Brooklyn Park, MN and Barbara (John) Strecker of Onamia, MN; 10 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren & twins to be born in November. Lou was preceded in death by two sons, Bobby & Jim Gish; parents; a brother and a sister.

Previous Events

Visitation

OCT 17. 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM (CT)

LeMieur Funeral Home of Onamia
100 North Pine
Onamia, MN

Visitation

OCT 18. 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM (CT)

Bethany Lutheran Church - Onamia
500 Lindquist St
Onamia, MN 56359

Service

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Tribute Wall



“ *Louis Gish*

January 21, 2023 at 11:59 AM