

*Obituary from The Ogden Reporter, Ogden, Iowa
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Funeral services for Edward J. Merriam, 92, of Ogden, Iowa, will be held Thursday, July 2, 1981 at Carson Funeral Home at 11:00 a.m. with Rev. Wayne Gjerde officiating. Mr. Merriam died Sunday, June 28 at Ogden Manor. Boyd Sparks will sing "Peace in the Valley" and "How Great Thou Art" accompanied by Mrs. Virgil A. Miller, organist. Casket bearers will be Tim Merriam, Bob Merriam, Ed Merriam, Doug Nebbe, Dennis Nebbe, and Dean Becker. Flowers will be cared for by Mary and Eva Burgess.

Edward Justin Merriam was born April 21, 1889 in St. Edward, Nebraska, the son of Dr. Edward Lyman and Mary Edith (Van Meter) Merriam. He attended rural school in Nebraska and Iowa. He married Bertha Field August 3, 1920 in Boone and they lived in Mitchell, S.D. for three years before returning to Ogden in 1926. Mr. Merriam farmed for a time, was employed with the local police force for a number of years and was a carpenter remodeling homes. He was a member of the WWI Barracks in Boone and a past commander of the Edward J. Maas Unit 55.