William O. Elliott

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He was born Dec. 7, 1913, at Asbury, Mo., to Arthur Edwin and Gertrude Megenity Elliott.

He attended Asbury Elementary School and Waco High School, Waco, Mo. He received his bachelor of science degree in education and his master of science degree in administration from Pittsburg State University.

He taught four years at Asbury, five years at Alba Junior High School as principal, and spent 34 years with Carl Junction High School as principal and counselor, retiring in 1975. He spent 15 years with the adult education program in Joplin before retiring in 1991.

He was a member of Asbury United Methodist Church, a life member of the National Education Association, Honorary Life Member of the Missouri State Teachers Association and a member Emeritus of Phi Delta Kappa Honorary Teachers Fraternity of Missouri Southern State College Chapter. He was a member of the Asbury City Council, where he served as treasurer for more than 20 years.


He is survived by a son, Jerome Lane Elliott, of Archie, Mo.; a sister, Roberta Elliott Burress, of Lowell; one granddaughter, a grandson and two great-grandsons.

He also was preceded in death by his parents and a great-grandson.

Funeral services will be 10 a.m. Friday at Carl Junction United Methodist Church with the Revs. Bob Simon and Gerald Holden officiating. The family will receive friends from 7 to 8:30 p.m. today at Carl Junction United Methodist Church. Burial will be in Waco Cemetery. Arrangements are under the direction of Simpson Funeral Home, Webb City, Mo.

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