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EDDIE LESTLEN ERLANDER  
1892-1964

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Eddie Erlander

Individual Questionnaire for

Biographical Record of Ministers

of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church (in America) and its parent synods: The United Danish Ev. Luth. Church, The Danish Ev. Luth. Church Association in America and The Danish Ev. Luth. Church in North America.

(Compiled for the Synodical Historical Archives)

Personal Data: (Please give all information you can)

Full name: Eddie Lestlen Erlander

Born when: Jan. 26, 1892 all. to family record in an old Bible discovered late in his life 1892 where: McLean, NEBRASKA or Magnet, Nebr.

Parents: Andrew Erlander & wife Alice, nee Gustas; she died a year after his birth

Baptized when and where: 1893 WAUSA, NEBRASKA

Father died 1897 (or 08) Eddie was fostered by Mrs. Maren Lund, Mohall, N.D.

Confirmed when and where: April, 11, 1909 McKinney, N.D. by whom: Dr. P. P. Nielsen Bethesda Church

If immigrant, date of arrival in America: located where:

Date of ordination: June 15, 1919 where: Cedar Falls, IOWA by whom: G. B. Christensen

If not in above synods, when and where accepted as member pastor of our synod:

Retired from active ministry when: why:

Located where: occupation:

If dead, what date: Sept. 2, 1964 where: Sioux Falls, S. Dak. cause: Was in failing health last years heart ailment

On Sunday, Aug. 30 he had he conducted church service at his Rockfield annex and upon his return same forenoon to Beresford he collapsed before the service and taken to Sioux Valley Hospital in Sioux Falls he died there Wed. A.M.

Buried Sat. Sept. 5th at Goldfield, Iowa, besides his wife. Funeral service at Nazareth Church, Beresford, for both were conducted by Rev. F. C. M. Hansen from Blair, Neb.

Marriage: (1) to whom Signe Jensen date and place: June 5 - 1919 at Our Saviour's Church, Audubon, Iowa. Hegmetchert at Dana College.

Wife's birthdate and place: November 16, 1893 Audubon, IOWA

Her parents: John & Karen Jensen location: Audubon, IOWA

If wife is dead, give date June 28, 1964 at Hospital in Sioux Falls, S.D. after 12 years of failing health, both physical and mentally, and a final hip fracture.

(2) Second wife (if any; give same information about her):

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Children (give names and other information of interest, as occupation, spouse, and present address): .....

John Clifford, Dr. of Optometry, Eagle Grove, Ia.

Alice Carolin, New York, N.Y. - Architectural work

Daxline Lone, ANN Arber, Mich. Dialection later at Mpls

The son, Dr. John C. Erlander, is optometrist at Eagle Grove, Iowa.

Elder daughter Alice is Mrs. William Wilcox, Architekt in Minneapolis, Minn.  
Miss Darlene Erlander is a Dialection later at New York, N.Y. (1964)

Other information on family of historical interest, i.e., members in the ministry, missionary work, teaching and medical professions, etc.:

Eddie's father was of Swedish descent and his mother, Alice Gustas, was probably also; she was born at Atica, Ind. They had four other children: Charles and Clint, Hattie and Gusta who preceded him in death. After their father's death they were seperated and seldom saw each other.

As Eddie was accepted into the home and family of Mrs. Maren Lund and raised together with her children he is regarded as a foster brother to them. They were George, Jesse, Niels, and Andrew Lund. Only Andrew survives him and lives at Sidney, Montana. His wife is Anne Hansen, a sister of Rev. s Fred and Niels B. Hansen.

His wife's family were pioneer members of Danish congregations in Audubon County, Iowa. - Bethania, Ebenezer and Our Savior's in Audubon; They both died in 1952, he Mar. 31st and she May 13th. Of their children Signe is survived by one sister Miss Lydia Jansen, Burbank, Calif. and six brothers; Dr. Herman H. Jansen, Oakland, Calif.; Nick on the home farm near Audubon, Ia; Martin at Brush, Colo.; Richard at Red Oak, Ia.; Dr. O.W. Jensen, Minneapolis, Minn; Dr. B. C. Jensen, Newton, Ia.; (Optometrists)

Educational Training: Give name of institution, location, and when attended:

High Schools: Kenmare, No DAK. on Bronson Highschool

two winters 1909-1911  
DANA College & Trinity Seminary Blair, Neb.

Colleges (Give also degrees attained): DANA College - Blair, Neb. 1911-15

Theological Schools: Trinity Seminary & Maywood, Ill.  
1915-18 1918-1919

see their memorial in Danish Almanack 1953 page 817

Honorary Degrees received (give name of institution and date): .....

Other specific training: .....

Additional comment on above: .....

Ministerial Service. Please give in chronological order the names of congregations or charges served, and period of each.

POY SIPPIT Saxeville, Wis. 1919 - 1927

Oregon, Wis. 1927 - 1932

West Branch Iowa 1932 - 1940

Webster Groves, Mo. 1940 - 1946

Beresford, S. Dak. 1946 — his death in 1964

REV. P. C. LEWIS  
STATIONER & PRINTER  
UNITED BY LUTHERAN CHURCH  
BLAIR, NEBRASKA

Offices held in Synod and Districts, and when:

Sec. of Wisconsin District 1930-32

Sec. of Ill. District 1946-1946

At Present member & Sec. of the Regional Home Mission  
Committee of S. Dak. and member of South Dakota  
Lutheran Welfare.

Other activities and official services-at-large (teaching, chaplaincy, editorial, etc., and period of each):

Literary production (books and pamphlets): Give titles and when published.

Additional information of interest:

Date June 26, 1954 Signed E. R. Evander

Completed by R. C. J. and old friends of her family & fellow student at

**NOTE:** Our previous biographical records were lost in the tragic fire that destroyed the office building of the Lutheran Publishing House, Blair, Nebr., Febr. 15, 1953, where the synodical historian also had his office. This accounts for the detailed questionnaire now. In the case of deceased members of our clergy we are largely dependent upon living members of their family for correct data. Be assured all cooperation in gathering this historically important data will be highly appreciated. Please fill in what you can, perhaps with the assistance of others acquainted with subject. Furthermore, if you have clippings or other material about the person concerned, especially a photo or picture of him, and we may either have it or borrow it, please send it along. All our collection of cuts was also ruined in the fire. If you can refer us to any person, book or paper that can inform us further, we shall be very much obliged to you.

Return this report as soon as possible to

REV. P. C. JENSEN  
STATISTICIAN & HISTORIAN  
UNITED EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH  
BLAIR, NEBRASKA

Parents: Father (give name, birthplace, occupation, residence, etc.) .....  
 Andrew W. ERLANDER, <sup>born in</sup> SWEDEN, Farmer at Magunt, Cedar Co, Nebr  
 NEBRASKA  
 died in 1898 at Magunt, Nebr

Mother (give her maiden name, birthplace, home before marriage, etc.) .....  
 Alice, <sup>nee</sup> Gustav, ATICA, IND.  
 died 1894  
 Their children after their father's demise were separated and Eddie was placed in the home of Mrs. Maren Sund and with her moved to Mohal, N.D. near Kenmare.

Mrs. Rev. Eddie Eriander

IN MEMORIAM

SIGNE KRISTIANA ERLANDER

Place of Birth—  
 Audubon, Iowa.  
 November 16, 1893  
 Married June 5, 1919.

Entered Into Rest—  
 June 28, 1964 at  
 Sioux Falls, S. D.

Attained The Age of—  
 70 Years; 7 Months; 12 Days.

Memorial Services Held—  
 Wednesday, July 1, 1964, at  
 2:00 P.M. in Emmanuel  
 Lutheran Church of Beresford,  
 S. Dak.

Officiating—  
 Rev. Fred C. M. Hansen  
 Rev. Otto Nielsen  
 Rev. Judeen Johnson

Casket Bearers—  
 Orville Jensen  
 Stanley Jensen  
 Lyle Jensen  
 Charles Murphy  
 Niel Jessen  
 Arden Jensen

Vocalists—

Mrs. Delmar Johnson  
 Mrs. Roy Guinther

Accompanist & Organist—

Mrs. Warren Johnson

Flower Committee—

Mrs. Victor Jensen  
 Mrs. Arthur Steadman

Resting In—

Goldfield Cemetery  
 Goldfield, Iowa.

Richard, Wm (sons), Herman, Mel, Elysha  
 dead Karen (only sister)

Spoke hymn  
 at Dan  
 1. Cor 15  
 1 daughter dead

last solo No 599 in Book of Psalms  
 Dan stone bridge P.O.  
 or (sung in Danish)  
 sung by  
 Elmer M. J. Jansen  
 Wm. W. Malthesen 1945  
 Mrs. " " 1934  
 2013 children present  
 Dr. John Clifford Eriander, High Grove, Ia.  
 Mrs. Darlene Lane  
 Miss Alice Carolina

Funeral at Magunt Church.

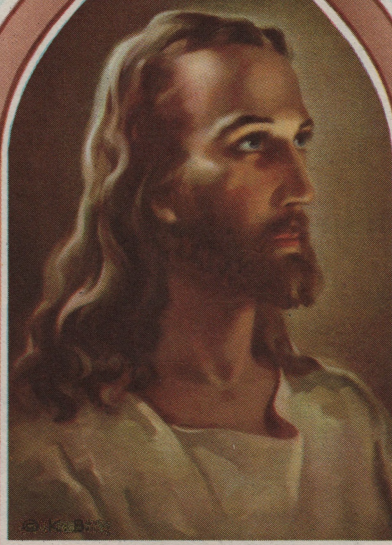
Mrs. Signe Erlander

There is a world above,  
Where parting is unknown,  
A whole eternity of love,  
Formid for the good alone;  
And faith beholds the  
dying here  
Translated to that happier  
sphere.

*James Montgomery*

The Lord  
gave,  
and the Lord  
hath taken away.

Blessed  
be the name  
of the Lord.



In Remembrance

July 1, 1964