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Samuel L. Foster, 86, of Wausau, formerly of Eagle, passed away at Wausau Community Hospital on Thursday, Oct. 2, 2003. He was born to the late Clause Louis and Minnie Gardner Foster on Nov. 5, 1916, in Newton, Kan.

He graduated from Kansas State University in 1937 and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1939. Sam spent his working life as an electrical engineer designing large transformers for Allis Chalmers of West Allis. He retired from Siemens Electrical in 1980. Sam was a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and served on its transformer committee until 2003. He holds several patents.

Samuel and Mary Edith Challacombe, who preceded him in death, were married June 27, 1937. They had four sons who survive them, S. Stephen (Sherian) of Wausau, Donald (Barbara) of Mukwonago, Timothy (Linda) of Hudson and Lee and his special friend Rhonda Williams of Waukesha. They have eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Sam was a member of Gideons International and was active in the last month distributing Bibles in the Wausau area. He was a past member of the Eagle United Methodist Church and served as its Wisconsin annual conference lay member for several years. He was a committed and born again Christian who rejoiced in the love of Jesus and is now with his Lord. His family will miss him and rejoices that he is with the Lord.

Funeral services will be held at 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 7, at Eagle United Methodist Church, 305 E. Main St., Eagle. Visitation will be held from 10:30 a.m. until time of services Tuesday at the church. Burial will be at Oak Ridge Cemetery in Eagle.

Memorials to Eagle United Methodist Church, Wesley United Methodist Church in Wausau or the Gideons are appreciated.

Mealy's Funeral Home in Eagle, 594-2442, is serving the family.

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