Herman & Margaret Dimmler Memorial Scholarship

The Herman and Margaret Dimmler Memorial Scholarship was established by their family in remembrance of them. Herman Dimmler was born on July 13, 1908 at Vorbachzimmern, Germany. In 1923, at the age of sixteen, Herman came to the Warwick community when his uncle George Schmieg sent him a ticket to come to the United States. Herman’s parents thought there would be a better future for him in America. Herman had talked to his uncle only twice before cancer claimed his uncle’s life. Herman worked as a farm laborer in the Warwick, Crary, and Devils Lake areas, and during this time he received his United States citizenship.

In 1937, Herman married Margaret C. Peters at Devils Lake. Margaret was born January 25, 1916, to John Henry Peters and Johanna Skaug Peters. They came from their respective countries of Germany and Norway.

In 1940, Herman and Margaret purchased a farm nine miles north of Crary in Ontario Township, and through hard work and skillful management became prominent farmers. They had five children—Gerald, Crary; Harold, deceased in 1979; Janet Wood, deceased in 2005; Judy Thompson, Devils Lake; and James, Crary. Janet was an assistant professor of Business Education at LRSC from 1969 to 2001.

Herman and Margaret enjoyed traveling both in this country, including Alaska and Hawaii, and abroad. They toured Holland, England, Germany, Austria, Switzerland, France, Belgium, Italy, Spain, Portugal, the Canary Islands, the Bahamas, Cuba, Mexico, and Canada, and they also visited northern Africa.

Although they retired from farming in 1979, they continued to make their home on the farm. Herman passed away unexpectedly at the age of 73 on August 17, 1981 at their farm home. Margaret moved to Devils Lake in the fall of 1991 and passed away on January 12, 1996, at the age of 79.

The Herman and Margaret Dimmler Memorial Scholarship will be awarded annually to students from Ramsey County attending Lake Region State College based on academic achievement. ✈