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Abstract

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Biography

Miner Stegenga was born to Mr. and Mrs. Siebolt Stegenga in North Holland, Michigan, on February 23, 1891. He attended the Hope College Preparatory School from 1907-1911 before entering Hope College. He received an A.B. degree from Hope College in 1915, graduate education from New Brunswick Theological Seminary from 1916-1917, and a Master of Divinity degree from Western Theological Seminary in 1918. He later received an honorary Doctor of Divinity degree from Central College in 1938. He was licensed by the Classis of Holland in 1918 and ordained by the Classis of Rochester that same year.

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Stegenga passed away in Zeeland, Michigan, on June 8, 1976, leaving son Dr. Preston Stegenga and daughter Ruth Stegenga Luidens. His wife, Dureth M. Bouma Stegenga, preceded him in death.

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Container List

Biographical, 1920-2001

Funeral Manual and A Service Book and Notes, 1925-1970

Genealogy of Stegenga, Popke, family, 1972

Genealogy of Duiker, Joldersma, Bouma, Hospers families, n.d.

Notebook, January-July, n.d.

Photograph Album, 1910-1915 (64 images)

Photographs, n.d., 1944-1967 (24 images)

Publication by Miner Stegenga, *Absentee Companionship*, 1948