



Bert A. Wells

October 7, 1926 - July 6, 2014

Bert Wells of Corvallis died Sunday.

Bert was born in rural Missouri to Bert and Winifred Wells, but his family moved north when he was a small child, and he grew up in Berkley, Michigan.

He graduated from Berkley High School in 1944, and served in the U.S. Air Force in 1945 and 1946. He graduated from Michigan State College (now Michigan State University) in 1950 with a degree in forestry. He was employed by the U.S. Forest Service in the states of Washington and Oregon.

While stationed on the Tonasket Ranger District of the Okanogan National Forest, Bert met Doris George, a resident of Tonasket, Washington. They were married in 1953, and were happily married for 60 years, until Bert's death.

After his employment in the Forest Service, Bert owned and operated Western Tree Cones, a unique small local business that he purchased from the original owners, Bruce and Helen Sawin. After his retirement, Bert was an active volunteer in the community.

Bert was preceded in death by his eldest son, Jerome, who died in 2007. He is survived by his wife, Doris; his son Matt; and his daughter and son-in-law,

Jeni and Dave Wells-Whitney.

At his request, there will be a private family memorial and burial.