



## Dale Ramsay

April 2, 1939 - September 11, 2018

Dale was born in Wenatchee, Washington to Fred and Esther Ramsay in 1939. Dale graduated from Corvallis High School in 1957 and went on to study Business at OSU where he earned a Bachelor of Science degree in 1961.

Dale generously gave his time and talents to the Corvallis community. He was a member of St. Mary's Catholic Church and a board member at Old Mill Center for Children and Families. His company, Dale Ramsay Construction Company, which he owned for 35 years until retirement in 2002, was responsible for many buildings and remodels around the Corvallis area and beyond. Projects included Woodstock's Pizza, remodel of the Memorial Union on the OSU campus, Crater Lake Lodge renovation, and St. Mary's Catholic Church in Albany.

His good humor and personable demeanor made it easy to see why he was liked and respected around the community. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, and gardener. Dale's garden bounties were always shared with family and friends.

Dale is preceded in death by his parents Esther and Fred Ramsay and sisters Virginia Ramsay and Margaret Cramer.

He is survived by his loving wife of 57 years, Frances; three daughters Julie (Andrew) Haymart of Corvallis; Patricia Fama of Rochester, NY; Elizabeth (Kevin) Olsson of Seattle, WA; and three grandchildren Daniel (Sarah), Christopher and David Fama.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Old Mill Center for Children and Families.

Family and friends are invited to a Mass of Christian Burial at 1pm Saturday, September 15th at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Corvallis, OR.

# Previous Events

## Mass of Christian Burial

SEP **15**. 1:00 PM (PT)

St. Mary's Catholic Church  
501 NW 25th St.  
Corvallis, OR

# Tribute Wall

KM

“ *Fran and Family,  
A Mentor is defined by some as an older, trusted, loyal adviser. Dale was only a couple of months older but he fit the rest of the definition to a “tee”. From early days I was guided by his expectations and thereby grew. He will be sorely missed.*  
*Keith Martin*

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**Keith Martin** - September 17, 2018 at 07:26 PM

RH

“ *Frances,  
I was unable to attend the ceremony for Dale due to a conflicting prior commitment. But I want to express my condolences to you and your family. Dale's contributions to the neighborhood are legendary, and his absence will be felt by all of us. Julian asked me to send his thoughts, as well. He always enjoyed his backyard chats with Dale. If there's anything I can do for you in the days ahead, please don't hesitate to ask.*

*Robert Hirsh*

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**Robert Hirsh** - September 15, 2018 at 09:32 PM

DM

“ I worked for Dale Ramsay on several projects. He first and foremostly wanted things done correctly and discussion of cost would occur later. Dale once instructed me to set up a barricade around a killdeer nest that the foolish bird had constructed on the driveway of the Old Mill Center. His concern was that pre-bid meeting traffic would destroy the nest. That's just one of many tender stories in which so represented Dale and won my heart. He was a great boss, husband, father, and friend. My heart and prayers go out to Fran and the girls. Dennis McGee, McGee Engineering

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Dennis McGee - September 15, 2018 at 12:04 PM

JC

“ So sad and so unexpected.

*Wonderful history of good and active citizenship. He was also very active as an adult advisor and mentor at the SAE fraternity for many years. I had graduated the spring before Dale was an incoming fall freshman however he was always involved in all the alumni functions I attended after that.*

*Brother, In the bonds.*

*Jerry Christensen, '57*

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jerry christensen - September 14, 2018 at 08:28 PM

RB

“ *Frances and Family*

*Sharon, Debbie and I are saddened to hear of Dales passing. He was a very good man and a great friend to the Banks family. Our thoughts and prayer are with you during this difficult time. I take some solace in knowing that my father and his hunting buddy are again reunited. God bless you.*

*Ray Banks*

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**Ray Banks** - September 14, 2018 at 08:05 PM



“ *Dale was one of the best of the best. The Larson/Cuniff family, with Old Mill Center for Children and Families, are forever grateful for the love, support, guidance, and encouragement Dale so generously provided. Our love and thoughts are with Fran and family.*

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**Katie Cuniff** - September 14, 2018 at 06:41 PM

AC

“ *Julie was also a very favorite of ours, and she and her husband who works for A. G. C. are a real factor to why she is a very good person and although she has breast cancer she is a real source of inspiration. Warm regards to Fran of 57 years of marriage.*

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**A. G. Sadowski Company** - September 14, 2018 at 02:48 PM

JP

“ *My heart goes out to you all in the loss of your wonderful Dale.*

*Jane-Ann Phillips*

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**Jane-Ann Phillips** - September 14, 2018 at 12:27 PM

HA

“ Dale was truly one of "The Good Guys". A dear friend, kind, generous, loyal and gone too soon. We will miss him. Dale loved his family and his dogs. We remember one he was particularly fond of: a big red setter that wouldn't hunt anything but sack lunches. One, among many memories of this fine man. Happy trails, Dale.  
Dave & Linda Hammerquist

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**hammerquist** - September 14, 2018 at 12:22 PM

BE

“ Fran and family,  
  
I had the honor of serving on the board of Old Mill with Dale for the past several years. We worked together fairly closely since we were on the finance committee together. He would often call me to talk about OMC's investments or to talk about investments in general since that is my line of work. I enjoyed getting to know him so much. He was just a pleasure to be around because he was so smart and quick to chuckle at things. I can only imagine the loss you are feeling right now but I hope the memories will provide comfort.  
  
Bronwyn Evans

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**Bronwyn Evans** - September 14, 2018 at 12:11 PM

RP

“ Dale was a very important part of my growth both as a young man  
an as small business owner, he was an example of a great father  
and husband.  
He mentored me in many ways that I have tried to pass on to other  
young people  
I was truly blessed to share time with him and to learn from him  
Robert pond

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**robert pond** - September 14, 2018 at 12:08 PM

KS

“ Kathleen Mary Sadowski lit a candle in  
memory of Dale Ramsay



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**Kathleen Mary Sadowski** - September 13, 2018 at 08:27 PM