



Douglas Edwin Penner

May 14, 1927 - July 28, 2013

Douglas Edwin Penner of Corvallis passed on to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 28, 2013, while at home with family.

Doug was born on May 14, 1927, in Los Angeles, Calif., to Edwin and Dorothy Penner. He grew up in the Los Angeles area and graduated from Eagle Rock High School. Throughout middle school and high school he worked to help support his family. He was permitted to graduate from high school early in order to join the U.S. Navy, in which he served in the Pacific until the end of World War II.

After the war, he earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in business and began his career in sales at Moore Business Forms, for whom he worked for 34 years in the Los Angeles area and in Fresno, Calif.

On Aug. 29, 1948, he married Mary Jane (Janie) Dohrmann of La Habra, Calif. They have two children, Susan Ferré (residing in Visalia, Calif., with her husband, Patrick Ferré) and Michael Penner (residing in Corvallis with his wife, Annabelle Penner).

In 1970, Doug's family moved from the Los Angeles area to Fresno, where he and Janie lived until they retired.

Once retired, they moved to Corvallis to be near their grandchildren. Doug and Janie made lasting friendships by becoming involved in the Corvallis Newcomers Club and by joining the Corvallis Country Club. Northwest Hills Community Church also was an important part of his life.

Doug's hobbies throughout his life have included fishing, woodworking, coaching Little League, golfing, playing bridge, reading, "clowning" in parades with his fellow Shriners, and working in the yard. Once he retired, he also enjoyed working with Habitat for Humanity. Throughout his adult life he was an automobile enthusiast, rebuilding his first Model A at age 15.

With the move to Corvallis came a new interest, becoming a fan of Oregon State University sports teams. He loved to attend their games and/or watch them on TV.

One of his favorite things to do in retirement was to watch and cheer for his grandchildren at their many sporting events, and to attend their functions at school and church. He was so proud of all three of them, Luke, Wade and Leilani Penner.

For Doug, nothing was more important than his family. He dearly loved them all. The most recent addition to the family was his first great-grandchild, Maiya Penner. All of his family members will greatly miss him and cherish their memories of him.

At his request, a private family service will be held.

Tribute Wall



“ *Sweet Tranquility Basket was purchased for the family of Douglas Edwin Penner.*



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