



## Howard R. Sokoloff

February 15, 1932 - June 10, 2013

Howard Sokoloff of Corvallis died June 10.

He was born Feb. 15, 1932, in Bentleyville, Pa. He was one of 10 children, and had four brothers and five sisters. He was a lifelong member of the Holy Trinity Church of Russian Old Believers in Erie, Pa. He has one daughter, Sheryl, married to Tommy Yenchik; one granddaughter, Shawn, married to Nate Reese; and three great-grandchildren, Triniti, Natali and JD.

He was a star athlete in high school, playing football, basketball and baseball. He graduated from California State Teachers College in 1958. He was an industrial arts teacher in Greenville, Pa., for 27 years. He was in the U.S. Navy from 1950 to 1954, and served in San Diego, Calif. He married Gwenette J. White Douglas on May 10, 1994.

After retirement, he took flying lessons and bought a small Cessna. He flew across the county when he moved from Greenville to Corvallis. He enjoyed playing golf with his archrival, John Yenchik, father-in-law of his daughter. After Howard's wife passed away in 2008, he moved to Meadowpark Mobile Estates in Corvallis. He was very happy there, enjoying his wonderful neighbors, a little gardening and his family.

He was laid to rest in a private burial at Willamette National Cemetery in

Portland.

A celebration of life service will take place at 11 a.m. July 3 at McHenry Funeral Home.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUL 3. 11:00 AM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ McHenry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Howard R. Sokoloff



McHenry Funeral Home - June 10, 2013 at 12:00 AM

  
Rhonda  
Libbey

“ I am so sorry for your loss. Howard (Sokie) was a very good friend of my family. Words cannot express how much he will be missed.



Rhonda Libbey - July 18, 2013 at 02:19 PM

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“ Just wanted to send my condolences to you Sherry. I have so many fond memories of playing together, going to your house for summer vacation, and just being together at Baba and Jeda Sokoloff's for Russian holidays. Your father continued to correspond with me over the years by e-mail and cards...always so thoughtful.

*May God's love wrap and enfold you, embrace you and guide you, and bring you comfort.*

*Cousin,  
Diane Sokoloff Bolyard*

Diane - June 17, 2013 at 05:55 PM

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“ I think I only met Uncle Sonny one time... He and his wife came to visit my family when we lived outside Seattle. It was a very nice visit and he was a very sweet guy. He heard that I dabbled in a little woodworking and brought me a woodworking book from when he taught woodworking back in the day. He and Gwen also brought a sweet present for our daughter. He was just a great guy. And even though we had only met that one time, he went out of his way to keep us included on his family updates and goings-on.

*Sonny, I wish you lived about 2500 miles closer and that I had met you 20 years earlier. I would have loved to have gotten to know you better. Rest in peace, kind soul!*

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**Michael Sokoloff** - June 16, 2013 at 03:43 AM