



Hugh Brunk

August 22, 1919 - July 19, 2009

Hugh Daniel Brunk, 89, died Wednesday at his home in Corvallis. Born August 22, 1919 in Manteca, California, he was the eldest son of Hugh and Velma Benson Brunk. Dan received his bachelor's degree from the University of California, Berkeley and his doctorate from the Rice Institute. In 1942 he married Jean Young. After serving in the U. S. Navy during World War II, he began his career as a Professor of mathematics and statistics. He taught at Rice, the University of Missouri, the University of California, Riverside and Oregon State University. He spent sabbaticals as a visiting professor in Denmark, England and Wales. Professor Brunk was a man of diverse interests and accomplishments. He turned his hand to many things, and excelled in all of them. Dan was the author of numerous mathematical books and papers. He was a Fellow of the Royal Statistical Society and active in the International Statistical Institute, the Mathematical Association of America and the American Mathematical Society. He loved music and sang in choirs, choral groups and light opera. He also enjoyed nature and liked to hike. He married Jean Sherk in 2004 in Corvallis.

Dan was preceded in death by his parents, his sister Ruth, and his wife Jean Young Brunk, who died in 1997. Professor Brunk is survived by his wife Jean, his daughters Bridget Glidden and her husband Derald of California, Gretchen Armacost and her husband David of Massachusetts and Heidi O'Riley of Colorado, three grandchildren, five great-grandchildren and one great-great-grandchild, his sister Betty Kempf of Oregon and his brother Joe Brunk of

California.

Memorial donations in his name may be made to one's favorite charity. A Memorial Service will be held at 1:30 pm Thursday, July 23rd at McHenry Funeral Home, 206 NW 5th St., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Tribute Wall

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“ I regret that Pat and I were out of town and unable to attend the memorial service for Dan. I can't remember where I first met Dan, but I always admired him as a mathematician and as a true gentleman. I offer my sincere condolences to Dan's family and loved ones. Bob Smythe

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