



John R. Bell

April 23, 1921 - October 28, 2015

John R. Bell, 94, of Corvallis, formerly of Eddyville, passed away Wednesday October 28, 2015 at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center.

He was born April 23, 1921 in Clovis, California to Frank T. and Maude M. (Kirkpatrick) Bell.

John grew up in Clovis and attended his schooling there. After high school, he attended the University of California where he studied architecture. He married Evelyn Mae Smith in 1943. John served in the Army Air Corps during WWII from 1943 to 1945.

His entire working life was spent in the Clovis area. He was a partner with his brother, Eugene, and his father in a building supply company and had also worked in ranching and construction.

He retired in 1996 and moved to Eddyville to be closer to family. John and Evelyn moved to Corvallis in October of 2014.

He was a member of the Blodgett Community Church.

John loved flying. He was a pilot and owned his own plane. He was one of the greatest men you ever knew.

He was preceded in death by his son John Bell; brother Eugene Bell; and his parents.

John is survived by his wife Evelyn of Corvallis; son Timothy Bell and his wife Dona of Terrebonne; grandsons Jacob of Boise, Idaho, Matthew of Portland, and Micah of Fairbanks, Alaska; and four great-grandchildren.

In keeping with his wishes, no services will be held.

Contributions in John's memory may be made to the Blodgett Community Church sent in care of McHenry Funeral Home, 206 NW 5th St, Corvallis, OR 97330.