



Leonard Klein

March 6, 1916 - October 9, 2011

Leonard Martin Klein of Corvallis died Sunday, Oct. 9, 2011. He was 95. He was born in Medford to Edward Joseph Klein and Hermine Ida Steiner. He married Dorothy Alice Culy in 1938. They had been dance partners in the Medford High School performance of "H.M.S. Pinafore" in 1933. Leonard earned his engineering degree from Oregon Agricultural College (now Oregon State University) in 1938.

Leonard and Dorothy moved to Portland, then back to Corvallis in 1939, when Leonard took a position with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. He worked at and then headed the seed harvesting and processing research lab in the agricultural engineering department until he retired in 1975.

Leonard was a professor emeritus at OSU, and a member of the Elks Lodge, the Timberhill Racquet Club, the Spinning Antlers Square Dance Club and various bowling leagues. He was an avid OSU sports fan, attending all sporting events. He enjoyed family gatherings, traveling, hunting, fishing and working in his garden.

Survivors include sons, Ed, Terry and Larry; daughter, Lynetta Weswig; their spouses; eight grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy; his brothers, Norman, Ralph and Vernon; and grandson Erik Weswig.

A service will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, Oct. 22, at McHenry Funeral Home, located at 206 N.W. Fifth St., Corvallis, OR 97330. Minister Rick Herbert will officiate.

Memorial donations can be made to Benton County Meals on Wheels.