



Lyle Carter

December 29, 1925 - August 31, 2008

Lyle Carter was born on December 29, 1945 in Corvallis, Oregon to Mary and Charlie Carter. He lived in Devitt and Summit and attended Summit grade school. His high school years were at Philomath High School. Lyle enlisted in the service during World War II and served in the Green Berets. He was wounded in the Philippines and received the Purple Heart.

Lyle was married to Ruby Dizzigle and after many years, they divorced. Years later he traveled back to the Philippines and married Mercidel Vito and after a few years they also divorced. After the war he attended college in Forrest Grove and attained his teacher's degree. His first teaching position was in Lowell, Oregon, then Alsea and then back to his alma mater in Philomath. He taught at Philomath until his retirement and continued to live in Philomath after his retirement. Lyle enjoyed coffee with his many friends, and raised several Great Danes—who were always his constant companions.

Lyle was a man of principle. He asked for respect and gave it in kind. Over the years, many students would drop by his home for visits. He leaves behind many friends, a nephew Don Such and many great nieces and great nephews and great-great nieces and great-great nephews who will miss his steady, true and kind demeanor.

He is preceded in death by his parents Mary and Charlie Carter; his sister Hazel and two brothers Howard and Harold.

Funeral Services will be held at 10:00 am, Monday, September 8, 2008 at McHenry Funeral Home. Burial will follow at Twin Oaks Memorial Gardens.

Tribute Wall

JP

“ *LYLE, was a very nice person and will be missed*

judy pierce - September 10, 2008 at 01:02 PM

ML

“ *Mr. Carter taught me World History, Modern Problems, and how to drive. I always looked forward to his classes, although he may not have been so happy to see me show up. His wit was sharp and entertaining, and he treated me with respect, probably more than I deserved. Mr. Carter had a broad perspective on life, and drew from his many fascinating experiences to illuminate and animate his classes and subjects. He was very patient with me. Mr. Carter made my high school experience more rewarding and interesting. I will never forget him.*

Mark Larson - September 08, 2008 at 01:40 PM

JF

“ *Mr. Carter was a real a real neat teacher and we all will miss him very much and his smile .*

jeannie franks - September 08, 2008 at 12:08 PM

PM

“ I received an email today and was saddened by the news of Mr. Carter's passing, but it brought back very fond memories of him that I hadn't thought about in ages. I graduated in '71 and I have to say Mr. Carter was one of my favorite teachers. He gave me my first A+ on a paper because I was the only one who turned in an essay that was "thinking outside the box" and he liked that. He always expected a lot out of us, but was always ready with a big smile of encouragement and praise when we did succeed. May God bless you, his family, and know that my heartfelt thoughts and prayers are with you. Phyllis

Phyllis (Oliver) Morris - September 06, 2008 at 02:13 AM

ST

“ Mr. Carter was a wonderful teacher. I have fond memories of the surprise "graduation" party we threw for him at his home when he retired from PHS.

Sara Tonkin - September 05, 2008 at 03:32 PM

KW

“ Mr. Carter was one of the most memorable teachers--and people--who have passed through my life. Favorite memory--as a driver's ed instructor. I still brake with my left foot!

Kathy Wilson - September 05, 2008 at 02:51 PM

PC

“ I had much fun with Mr. Carter especially during drivers ed. I learned alot from him in class and have great memories of the tales of Valeska with her twin size mattress. I would get laughing so hard in class that I just couldn't stop.
Much love to all, Peggy (Barlow) Chilson

Peggy (Barlow) Chilson - September 05, 2008 at 01:30 PM

DC

“ I have been in education for a long time and I still refer to Lyle Carter as the person that made me want to become a teacher. He will always have my utmost respect as an educator and as a human being.

Dan Conner - September 05, 2008 at 01:09 PM

WK

“ I first came into contact with Mr. Carter in the early 60's. I had him as a baseball and basketball coach, a drivers Ed Instructor and a World History teacher. He most definitely left a positive imprint on my life as I'm sure, countless others. I'm sure to the very end he was all about Philomath. The school and community just lost an Icon, in my opinion. RIP Coach.

Wade kinsland - September 04, 2008 at 08:19 PM

MO

“ I have to say that Mr. Carter was an excellent teacher and human being. Even after 20+ years of being out of school, I remember him fondly. There were many times that I would run into him in Corvallis and his standard welcome would be "Hello Tiger." He definately touched many students hearts and minds and will be greatly missed.
Michelle

Michelle Oglesbee - September 04, 2008 at 10:45 AM

GD

“ My condolences to the family from a student and neighbor of Lyle who was always an inspiration and well liked. I enjoyed being one of his students and as a coach at PHS. He always gave great respect to his students and those he was coaching in athletics. As a neighbor in High School he would often ask me to wash his T-Bird on Friday or Saturday.

George Davidson - September 04, 2008 at 10:27 AM

GS

“ Thanks for your service to our country and to your community.

Grateful Student - September 04, 2008 at 12:16 AM

DS

“ Lyle was a GREAT teacher and a wonderful person. He will be greatly missed by many. Rest in Peace. Dana

Deanna Schlacht - September 03, 2008 at 08:36 PM