



Marvin Wilt

August 19, 1921 - October 15, 2011

Marvin Oliver Wilt of Corvallis passed away Saturday, Oct. 15.

He was born on Aug. 19, 1921, in Corvallis. He was the only child of Clarence and Olive Wilt. As a child, he developed a love of the outdoors, and became an avid hunter and fisherman. His family had a cabin on the Metolius River, and he fished there since he was 6 years old. He was a master with the fly rod, and "knew every rock" in the Metolius. Marvin graduated from Corvallis High School.

He served in the U.S. Army during World War II, from 1942 to 1946. He attended Oregon College of Education in Monmouth, and Oregon State College, where he received his Bachelor of Science degree in 1953. He received his Master's Degree at Colorado State College in 1958.

Mr. Wilt came to teach fifth grade at Shedd Elementary School in 1953. He loved teaching and working with all students in track, a sport he loved and in which he excelled. He later became principal of Shedd and Halsey elementary schools. His students loved and respected him; parents and staff did also, thankful for the way he ran his schools.

He married Hazel Rae Johnson. They did not have children, but had many happy years together. They lived in Shedd, Halsey and Corvallis. Mrs. Wilt passed away in 1991 after a long illness.

Mr. Wilt retired from Central Linn School District in 1983. Since 2002, he lived at Conifer House in Corvallis. He is survived by a very close friend, Wade Doerfler of Halsey; and cousins Wynetta and Harold Olson and their family of

Junction City. Lucy, Bin and Mathew Xu of the Seattle area became friends later in his life.

Preceding him in death were his parents; his wife, Hazel; his sister-in-law, Blanche Belgum; and aunts and uncles.

Mr. Wilt greatly loved the Lord, and now he will have everlasting joy and peace, and once again be with those he loved from the past.

A funeral service will take place at 10 a.m. Monday, Oct. 24, at McHenry Funeral Home. The casket will be open for an hour before the service. A committal will follow at Twin Oaks Memorial Park. Online condolences can be made via www.mchenryfuneralhome.com.