



Paul Ashdown

April 6, 1929 - July 10, 2011

Paul S. Ashdown, 82, passed away peacefully Sunday, July 10, at home. He was born in Los Angeles, Calif., and spent his youth in L.A. and Enterprise, Utah.

In 1950, he began a lifetime of service to the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints with a two-year mission to England. In 1953, he enlisted in the U.S. Army and served in the Korean War. Upon return, he married Marie Moore and they moved to Logan, Utah, where he attended Utah State University and earned a Bachelor of Science and a Master of Science in mathematics.

In 1961, he began his teaching career at Armijo High School in Fairfield, Calif. In 1967, Paul moved his growing family to Corvallis, where he loved teaching high school math, coaching track and running the scoreboard at all the high school basketball and football games. With summers off, he enjoyed construction, and built or remodeled homes, duplexes and barns, and made cabinets and furniture. His final project was a home in Philomath, to which he retired in 1993.

After retirement, he and his wife, Marie, served four missions for the LDS church. He spent his final years as an avid reader and sports enthusiast and enjoying his family. He is survived by his wife; three daughters, Diane, Robin and Mickie; son Michael; seven grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; brothers Rex, William and Gene; and sisters Betty, Patricia and Gail.

Our family thanks Benton Hospice Service, caregivers and all who have helped with loving care of Paul. Donations can be made to Benton Hospice

Service, the Perpetual Education Fund, the Missionary Fund or your favorite charity.

Services will take place at 11 a.m. Monday, July 18, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 150 James St., Philomath.