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Jack Casswell Cooper died in his home with his son, Rand by his side, the morning of October 9, 2017, from heart failure. Jack was 91.

Jack was born in Portland to his parents Doris Marguerite Casswell and George Cooper on August 15, 1926, and grew up in Milwaukie, Oregon, on the outskirts of Portland. As a young man, he achieved the rank of Eagle Scout.

Jack served in the U.S. Army Signal Corp during World II and discovered his future bride (of 65 years), Liz, when he was stationed at Fort Snelling in Minneapolis, Minnesota.

Following their marriage in St. Paul, Minnesota on June 2, 1947, Jack whisked Liz off to Milwaukie where he attended the University of Portland earning a Bachelor's Degree in Engineering.

Following a job opportunity in heavy equipment sales, the family, which had grown by three, moved to Corvallis in 1959.

Jack eventually purchased a variable speed control company, Flomatcher, which he ran, sold, bought back and resold. He then moved into real estate investing, which continued for the rest of his life.

Sports were always a focus for Jack, especially golf, fishing and hunting, sprinkled with some tennis and skiing. Many family outings were centered on these activities where memorable stories would abound.

Bridge was another pastime which Jack enthusiastically played as recently as four days before his passing. He truly enjoyed his many bridge pals and would often speak of their good-natured betting games.

Jack was a kind, generous soul who quietly contributed to other's lives. He loved all of his family deeply, participating in their worlds with assistance, wisdom and humor.

In his words, "It's been a great ride!" We will all miss him terribly!

Jack was preceded in death by his parents and his wife, Liz.

Survivors include his children, Jack C.K. (Jackson) Cooper, Leslie (Scottie) T. Cooper and Rand W. Cooper; their spouses Scottie Jean Cooper, Tom Leddy and Cassandra Cooper; seven grandchildren, and nine great-grandchildren.

Per Jack's request, no services will be held.

Condolences and memories may be shared at demossdurdan.com.

Comments



“ Jack and I were cousins (some degree beyond first) but we were nearly like Brothers. Though a generation apart we were graduated from Milwaukie HS (1945) together and we both graduated from U of P. We eventually became joint venturers and partners in real estate. We spent years playing cards and golfing. Jack shared some of his bird-hunting and fishing and Jack introduced me to Sunriver. Finally, in OLD age, as we sort of drifted apart, I love him and miss him. Harvey Osborn.

Harvey J Osborn - March 23, 2018 at 05:52 PM



“ Many years ago, I received a voicemail from a man, identifying himself as Jack Cooper from Corvallis, requesting a cable TV service visit. Since I live in New England and don't have any connection to cable TV providers, I chalked it up to a misdialed number. When it happened again several months later, I called back and left my own message, suggesting that Jack check the number he was using, since it wasn't ringing at the cable company. Over the years, I found 5-6 voicemails from Jack, but never followed up after that one time. While cleaning up my voicemail today, I just listened to a message from Jack, dated August 2017, and he sounded very frail. On a whim, I searched the web and made my way here. Jack's Eagle Scout honor caught my eye, as I am also an Eagle Scout. I wish now that I had actually talked with him, on the off chance that we might have found that connection and chatted about Scouting. As we recited at the end of our meetings when I was a kid, "May the Great Scoutmaster of all Scouts be with us until we meet again."

Reid Simpson - February 17, 2018 at 10:47 AM



“ It was our pleasure to live next door to Jack and Liz from 1997 until Jack moved to Stoneybrook. Even after that, we kept in touch because my dad lives at Stoneybrook. Hence, I had the pleasure of visiting with Jack during and/or after dinner about once every two weeks.

Jack was a wealth of information when it came to contacting city officials (who helped answer questions about our street maintenance, etc) and contractors in the home building, remodeling and repair fields.

More importantly, Jack always greeted us with a broad smile and a firm handshake. He was the kind of man whose handshake was his "word." We will miss him but our lives are richer for knowing him!

Jack & Mel Glubrecht - October 27, 2017 at 02:49 PM



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“ My husband, Wayne Phillips went all the way thru elementary school, junior high and high school with Jack. I joined them in high school. They played on the same basketball team tho there was about about a foot difference in their height. We lived at Stoneybrook Lodge when Jack arrived there, and it was fun to share memories over meals. That's a great picture. Jack will be missed.

Pat Phillips - October 27, 2017 at 12:27 PM



“ Rand, Scottie and Jack, i was so sorry to hear of your Dad's passing, such a wonderful nice guy, i was hoping he would be around for years. So sad.
RIP Jack

sandy davis - October 26, 2017 at 11:34 PM



“ Rand, I am very sorry to hear that your Dad passed away. I'm glad you were able to be with him. Mike Groh

Mike Groh - October 26, 2017 at 03:25 PM