

Wayne C. Phillips
February 9, 1926 - June 25, 2016

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Wayne C. Phillips, age 90, died June 25, 2016, in Corvallis. The son of Tweed McCoy and Charles D. Phillips, Sr., he was born February 9, 1926, in Portland, Oregon. He received his early education in Milwaukie, Oregon; served in the Army Air Corps during WWII; and completed his bachelor's in mechanical engineering at Oregon State College in 1949.

He married Pat Gibbs on August 29, 1947. The couple made their home in Corvallis until 1971, living in Marin County, California, and in Bend and Portland, Oregon, before returning to Corvallis in 2006.

From the time of his graduation until retiring in 1975, Mr. Phillips was associated with the engineering firm of CH2M Hill, for whom he founded the San Francisco regional office in 1970. He was a member of Beta Theta Pi social fraternity and several professional societies. He held engineering licenses in Oregon, California, Washington, Idaho and Montana. He was an avid golfer and private airplane pilot. Another favorite pastime was playing jazz piano.

Besides his widow, he is survived by daughters Janet McKensey (and wife Maddy), Corvallis; Robin Donaldson, Corvallis; and Carol Phillips, Monmouth; and granddaughters Emily Donaldson and Arayana McKensey. Also surviving are nephews Dan Phillips, Mobile, Alabama, and Bob (and wife Janet) Phillips, Redding, California. He was preceded in death by his eldest daughter, Cheryl.

The Phillips family appreciates the Regent Court memory care staff for enriching Wayne's life during the past 21 months. In lieu of flowers, contributions are suggested to Benton Hospice Service, 2350 NW Professional Dr., Corvallis, 97330. The family will hold a private memorial service. Please share thoughts and memories about Wayne at www.demossdurdan.com.

Comments



Yesterday marked four months since the passing of Wayne, my father. During my drive to work, the 1940s sattelite radio station played "At Last," which was my parents' song and which Mother sang to Dad a few times during our vigil in hi room prior to his passing. Hearing the song again brought tears to my eyes, especially the line near the end about being "in heaven."

~ Janet Phillips McKensey

Janet Phillips McKensey - October 26, 2016 at 04:55 PM



66 Pat,

Have been checking the GT for this notice. Please know that you and family have been in my thoughts since I saw you last fall. Love, Lewis Schaad

Lewis Schaad - June 28, 2016 at 09:13 AM