



William Somppi

August 30, 1926 - January 11, 2009

William F. "Bill" Somppi, 82, of Corvallis died Sunday in Corvallis.

He was born in Brownsville to Alex and Sadie Crume Somppi. He served his country in the U.S. Navy during World War II in the Pacific Rim.

Bill and Elain Foltz were married in Monmouth on June 11, 1950. They had three sons. Bill worked for the Corvallis School District for more than 33 years as an educator. A son, Doug, passed away in 2007. His wife, Elaine, passed away in April of 1980. Bill later married Mary Louise Henry on Oct. 22, 1983, in Corvallis.

He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, the Brownsville Museum Board of Directors, and avid woodworker and gardener, and was a local consulting rosarian for the Corvallis Rose Society.

Bill is survived by his wife, Mary Louise Somppi of Corvallis; sons Don of Tigard and Jim of Corvallis; and several nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life will be at 1 p.m. Saturday at the First United Methodist Church in Corvallis. Memorials may be made to a charity of your choice in his honor.