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June 4, 1921 - March 10, 2015

Larry Moore died peacefully Tuesday in Salem in the presence of his family.

Born in Heppner, Oregon, he graduated from Pendleton High School in 1939 and obtained his private pilot's license the summer after graduation. He attended Oregon State University. Larry was a Pilot of B-17's in World War II and ultimately became a Flight and Radar Instructor. Larry married Rosemary ("Rosie") Monterastelli in July of 1944 after requesting a three day pass from his post. After the War he pursued his interest in a "Stationers" (aka Office Products) career and worked in Eugene and Salem, eventually co-owning Commercial Business Supply. After many years of long hours and caring for customers, Larry retired in 1991 and easily transitioned to a life of retirement.

Larry was active in the community as evidenced by his roles as Past President of organizations such as: Salem and Oregon Jaycees, Salem Chamber of Commerce, Salem Downtown Association, Oregon Retail Council, NW Wholesale Stationers, and a number of other organizations to promote the Salem community, its downtown, and local business owners.

Larry was also an active member of many civic organizations such as The Knights of Columbus, American Legion, Elks, Lions, Illahee Hills Country Club, St. Vincent de Paul Parish, the Oregon State Alumni Association and the OSU Beaver Club -- among others.

Larry lost his sweet Rosie in 1997. He is survived by his children Mary Harrison of Portland, Gerald Moore of Salem, and Marcia Moore Hull of Portland, sisters Mary and Marguerite, 4 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren and his special companion Ann Rasmussen.

Larry was a voracious reader of newspapers and current event publications. He enjoyed golf, was an avid sports fan, enjoyed evenings out with friends, and especially cherished time with his family. Larry was an Oregon State Season cket holder for over 50 years and happily supervised hundreds of tailgate parties, welcoming every visitor as if they were his family.

Larry was a soft spoken man, eager to listen, always welcoming in his smile and genuinely interested in others. He was a supporter of causes, counselor to some and friend to many. He was often been called the consummate gentleman, a label that fit him so well. His gentle demeanor, yet impactful presence, will be missed by everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him.

Rosary recitation will be at 7pm Monday at Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service. in Salem. Services will be at 10am Tuesday, March 17th at St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church with reception to follow at Illahee Country Club. Private interment will be at Olney Cemetery in Pendleton. Arrangements are by Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service. Contributions: Salem Police Foundation and/or Oregon State Athletics- Beaver Nation.

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