



## William Meril Powell

May 4, 1923-May 1, 2010

PENDLETON — William Meril Powell, 86, died Saturday, May 1, 2010 at a local care facility.

Graveside services will be 11 a.m. Tuesday, May 4 at Olney Cemetery with the Oregon State Police Honor Guard.

Powell was born May 4, 1923 in Klickitat, Wash. to George and Fern (Ellett) Powell. He graduated from The Dalles High School in 1941 and attended Oregon State University on a football scholarship.

He served in the United States Army Air Corps from 1943 to 1945 flying medium bombers and training for attack bombers.

Powell married Lola Jane

Winnett of The Dalles on May 20, 1944 in El Reno, Okla. He joined the Oregon State Police in 1946, where he worked for more than 32 years and retired in Salem as an Assistant District Commander.

The couple moved to Sisters after retirement, then to Pendleton in 1990.

Powell is survived by his wife, Lola Powell; his daughter, Karen King; his son, Mark Powell and his wife Cindy Powell, of Pendleton; his sister-in-law, Eilene Brown, of Portland; several nieces and nephews; four grandchildren; five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents and half-brother, Weston Tillman.



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