



Elliott "Deak" M. Preble Jr.

August 2, 1925 - September 7, 2018

Deak passed away Friday, Sept. 7, at the age of 93. He was born in Hartford, CT. on Aug. 2, 1925. His family moved to Pittsfield, MA. where he attended school, graduating from Pittsfield High School. He volunteered for military service and served in the army in the European Theater during World War II. After the war he attended and graduated from Springfield College in Springfield, MA. After graduating he started a career in the Y.M.C.A. He worked in the Y.M.C.A. for 22 years in Salt Lake City, St. Louis, and Los Angeles. In 1950 he married Barbara Kinghorn and they had a happy, loving, eventful, and wonderful life for 68 years. In 1973 Deak changed careers and began working for the Chamber of Commerce in Glendora, CA. and in 1979 he was hired by the Bend Chamber of Commerce as Executive Director until his retirement in 1991. He was active in many community activities in every city where he worked. In Bend he was Chair of the Citizens Committee for the Bend Parkway, Chair of the Y2K committee, member of the High Desert Education Service District, Chairman of the Tillicum Village Homeowners Assoc., and a member of Bend Rotary. He is survived by his wife Barbara, his children: Kipp, Susan, and Laird and his three granddaughters: Chelsea, Mackenzie, and Kelsey. Memorial Contributions may be made to C.O.C.C. or Partners in Care. A Memorial Service will be held at Niswonger - Reynolds Chapel on Sept. 22nd at 1:30pm. Please visit the online registry for Deak at www.niswonger-reynolds.com.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home

105 NW Irving Ave

Bend, OR

US 97701

Tribute Wall



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Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home & Greenwood Cemetery - May 18, 2023 at 02:35 PM

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“ *Elliott "Deak" M. Preble Jr.*

Funeral Home Owner - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DM

“ *Susan, So sorry to learn of your father's death. Know that you and your family are in my thoughts and prayers during your time of sorrow. It sounds like he had an active life in the Bend community. Also he had many wonderful years with your mom and you kids. I am sure that you have many memories and you will treasure them always. I think often of the school family I had at Jewell. It was a great place to finish out my teaching career. I did make it over to visit Kathy Johnson this summer. I see that they made some improvements to the Jewell building. Love to all of you,*

Dolores Morris - September 23, 2018 at 12:00 AM

KG

“ *To the Preble Family: I was blessed to know Deak many years ago through his and Barbara's community involvement. Deak was a wonderful man. Please accept my condolences.*

Karen Green - September 22, 2018 at 12:00 AM

AA

“ Barbara, Richard and I send our sympathy and love to you and your family at this sad time. Deak was a wonderful man, and he will be missed by so many. May the grief and feelings of loss be someday surpassed by all of the good memories you made together.

April and Richard Angotti - September 21, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Barb, so sorry to hear about the passing of your husband. My deepest condolences to you and your family. May the happiest memories comfort you at this time!

Jill Muinch - September 20, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Dear Preble Family, May all your wonderful memories comfort you at this time. Sharing prayers,

Sharon - September 19, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ To the Preble Family, My most sincere sympathy comes your way, for Deak was a wonderful man as I knew him and heard much about him. I know you will miss him, but his suffering is no longer. I am with you in thoughts and prayers.

Jan Meredith - September 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM