



Milton A. Preisz

July 15, 1923 - July 9, 2016

Milton A. Preisz, Jr. died Saturday, July 9, 2016. He was born July 15, 1923 in Portland, OR to Milton Andrew Preisz, Sr. and Isolette Hendrix Preisz. Milton attended Beaumont Grade School and graduated from Grant High School in 1941. He entered Oregon State University that fall and pledged Sigma Chi. In 1943, he enlisted in the U.S. Army. He was a Private First Class in the Corps of Military Police 76th Military Police Platoon, 76th Infantry Division. He received a Certificate of Merit for his performance during the period of January 19, 1945 until May 8, 1945 in Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany.

Upon returning to Portland at the end of the war, he entered Lewis & Clark University. He graduated with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration in 1949. He married Lois Ardell Heesacker in 1948 and had three children, Wendy Ann, Michael and Barbara. After Lewis & Clark he worked in the office at Ann Palmer Bakery.

In 1952, Milton moved his family to Newport, OR. He and his wife purchased the franchise for Suburban Gas. They provided propane gas to Newport's surrounding residents and fisherman until 1962. After that Milton purchased Moby Dicks Restaurant on Highway 101. With Milt at the helm, Moby Dick's became a Newport institution.

Milton became part of the community in Newport. He was involved with the

inception of Loyalty Days in 1955, the Shriners, Newport City Council, the Newport Lions, Newport Boosters, American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Rotary Club, Kiwanis Club and the Masonic Lodge.

He has been awarded both the Distinguished Service Award for Individuals under the age of 36 and the Senior Citizen Award from the Jaycees, Preisz was the first of 37 DSA recipients.

Milt married Peggy Fleming in 1971. He later married Betty Vaughn. They were married for 25 years. Betty preceded him in death.

A favorite memory is his hole-in-one on the 8th hole of the Agate Beach Golf Course.

Milton valued his friends, he loved to play golf and to help others. As he aged, he appreciated the assistance and friendship of everyone at Oceanview Senior Living and Avamere.

He is survived by his three children, six grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Shriners Children Hospital.