

Patrick Maier(1922 - 2014)

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August 31, 1922 - June 30, 2014

Pat (PJ) Maier, 91, died in home hospice care on Monday, June 30, 2014.

Pat was born in Spalding, NE; graduated from Marquette HS in Yakima, WA; spent WWII in the US Army as a radio operator for the 284th "Helpmate" Battalion in the European theater and continued on in the Army Reserves; worked for 34 years at Boise Cascade Paper Mill in Salem OR, & 6 mo at a paper mill in the Philippines

PJ married Ruth Emmons of Salem. They lived in Yakima, Salem & Tumalo, and the Philippines. He loved farming and those activities were a part of his life wherever he lived. PJ passed this love to his daughters as an active 4-H helper and leader.

Pat is preceded in death by Ruth, his wife of 71 years, and is survived by 2 brothers, 2 sisters, 5 daughters, many grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces, nephews, and "family of the heart" friends.

PJ had a deep and personal relationship with God, and had faith that God knew what was best in all aspects of his life. He and Ruth felt God chose them as life partners, and the trials in their lives were always overcome by their love and commitment to each other and their family.

Services for Pat will be held at 1pm on Saturday, July 26, at Barrick Funeral Home (205 Church St SE Salem, OR 97301). Coffee, cookies and stories directly after the service, followed by a light lunch held at Pam Wynia's home. (Directions provided)

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