

OBITUARIES

Mary Helen Smith

Mary Helen Smith was born in Alida, Minnesota on June 15, 1926 and passed away in hospice care in Portland, Oregon on November 9, 2015 with son Brett Smith and sister Carol Steward by her side.

Mary, her husband Delbert and their three children moved to St. Johns in 1955. She made friends quickly and soon became involved in her community, her church and local school activities. Her membership in Portsmouth Trinity Lutheran Church

kept her busy as she joyfully gave of her time and energy. Mary was a kitchen assistant at Roosevelt High School until retirement. She loved her job and made many lasting friendships. She was a kind listener and the students' names were seldom forgotten. As the years passed, she would spend hours working in her yard as she loved flowers and always took pride of the colors in the spring. In later years she seldom missed a day riding the bus to downtown St Johns where she knew everyone and often met friends for coffee and had

a smile for everyone.

Family was always Mary's priority and many friends became part of her family. She was "Aunt Mary" to Mike Verbout and his brothers and sisters. Mary was also involved with her grandchildren's activities. She would attend horseback lessons and competitions, music performances, and watch school and sports events. Children made Mary the happiest.

Mary was preceded in death by her husband, Delbert O Smith in September 1983. parents Josephine and Frank Sr., brothers George, Charles and Frank, sisters Irene, Florence and her half-sister Bernice.

Mary is survived by sisters Fern, Clara and Carol, daughter Blaine, sons Brett and Blair, and grandchildren Charles, Angie and Nathan.

Mary is interred at Skyline Memorial Garden. A graveside service was held on November 16, 2015. She will be missed by all her knew her. Arrangements entrusted to Hustad Funeral Home.

Warren H. Bolin

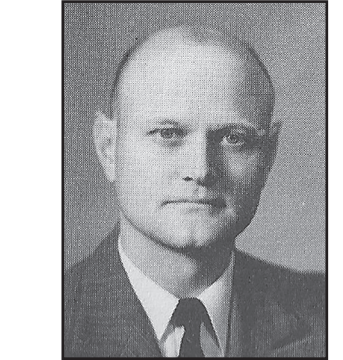
Nov. 7, 1920 - Nov. 20, 2015

Warren Bolin passed away on November 20, 2015 at the age of 95 years.

Warren was born on Nov. 7, 1920 in Portland, Oregon. He spent his youth attending Portsmouth Grade School and then Roosevelt High School where he was active in sports, especially football and baseball. After high school, Warren attended Linfield College, in McMinnville, where his only brother, Clarence, was a student. Here, Warren again was active in sports, winning six letters, two in football, and four in baseball. On December 7, 1941, while a junior in college, Pearl Harbor was attacked. Warren joined the navy in the spring of 1942 but was enrolled in a program that allowed him to finish college before going through training to be an officer in the U. S. Navy. Warren graduated from college in June, 1943 and was immediately sent to Notre Dame University for summer training. That fall, Bolin traveled along with other young Americans, to the European theatre to join in the war effort. During his naval career, Bolin rose to the rank of Executive Officer on the LST 601, the second ranking officer on the ship. Warren served in the navy until the spring 1946, when he was honorably discharged.

He returned to Portland and began a career in education. In the fall of 1946, he taught grade school in the small town of Estacada, Oregon. That summer, while taking classes at the University of Oregon, he met the love of his life, Jean Read. They were married on May 24, 1947, and from that relationship four children were born. In 1947, Warren taught at Peninsula grade school in Portland, but in 1948 he transferred to Washington High School. He taught and coached at Washington from 1949-1958 and then at Madison from 1958-1982. Early in his career Bolin taught American History, but transitioned to become a teacher of mathematics. He was head baseball coach and assistant football coach at both schools. One of many highlights of his coaching career was winning the Portland city football championship in 1975 over the #1 rated team in the state, the Benson Techmen. That victory came on Nov. 7, 1975, his fifty-fifth birthday. The story of his birthday and the great upset victory was featured prominently in the local newspapers and television stations.

The greatest event of Warren's life took place August 1, 1950 when he became a Christian while listening to a presentation of the gospel preached by a young evangelist, Billy Graham. Warren heard and responded to the message of salvation and it changed his life and that of his young family. He became an active member of the University Park Baptist Church and served in a variety of capacities within the congregation for many years.



Following Warren's retirement in 1982, he and his wife ventured to Swaziland, Africa where Warren taught school and Jean ministered to the local people in a variety of ways. In that same year, Warren received the Robert Blanchard award for distinguished service to the Portland Public School. In 2006, he was inducted into the Portland Interscholastic League Hall of Fame, and in 2012 he was a recipient of the Roosevelt High School Alumnus of the Year Award. Warren lived in the same neighborhood of Portland (St. Johns), for most of his life. However, in 2008 he moved to Canton, South Dakota to live near his oldest son, James. He resided in Canton until his death on November 20, which was directly related to a serious fall in his residence and the medical complications from that event.

Warren was preceded in death by his father and mother: Swan and Harriet, his wife: Jean (2004), his only sibling: Clarence, and his granddaughter: Catie Bolin. He is survived by his four children Barbara, Beijing, China; James, (Ruth) Canton, SD; Daniel, (Cay) Tyler, Texas; and Paul, (Jane) College Station, Texas; five grandchildren and two great grandchildren. A memorial service will be held Saturday, December 5, 2015 at University Park Baptist Church, 4340 N. Lombard. The service will begin at 9:30 am with a time of fellowship and light refreshments. Any memorial gifts should be designated to the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association or a charity of your choice.

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Barbara Quinn wrote an article in this issue (page 4) about shopping locally to support our important small businesses in the area, so I encourage everyone to do that. It's important for the prosperity of our wonderful community.

As the entrance of St. Johns changes with the coming of a major new development, we once again have differing opinions whether it's a good change or a bad one. That's called democracy, of course. But it's important to be able to express your opinion about such issues. You can do that by writing a Letter To The Editor. The Review encourages the community to give their opinion to help those who have not formed theirs yet. Allowing both sides to speak their opinions is what a "community newspaper" is all about, in my opinion.

Until the next issue (and the last of the year,) take care and have a wonderful holiday. Gayla

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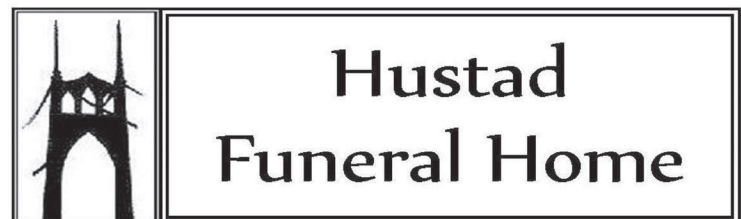
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