

Obituary

Edmund John “Jack” Badger

Edmund John “Jack” Badger, age 93 of Portland, Oregon formerly of Girard, Ohio passed away July 9, 2023.

He immigrated to the United States with his brother Samuel in the mid 1950’s and worked as an ironworker in and around the Youngstown area. He went to night school for architectural and mechanical drawing.

In the 1960’s he met and married the love of his life, Ursula Grote. After their marriage, he and Ursula and her three sons, Karl, Paul, and Wolfgang, moved to Oregon to start a new and adventurous life.

Jack and Ursula raised and showed Arabian horses for a time, and traveled extensively. Among the places they visited were Europe, Canada, South America, Far East, and Australia.

He will be fondly remembered and sadly missed by his family; his nephew Samuel of Niles, Ohio, nieces Jackie of East Palestine, Ohio, Charlotte of Liberty Township, Ohio, Margaret of Sharpsville, PA., Heather of Hubbard, Ohio, stepson Wolfgang of Oregon, and daughter-in-law, Tilinda of Washington State.

Beside his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife Ursula, stepsons Karl and Paul, his brother Samuel and niece Elizabeth.

Cremation has taken place, there are no services planned. Family and friends are invited to visit the funeral home’s website at www.stewart-kyle.com to share memories and condolences.

New Space Focuses on Students...

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rectly under the student hub, making it easy for students to find and access the resources they need. The new space is also designed to reduce barriers and stigma for students seeking assistance for food and housing. “The equity center expands on the existing student spaces, welcoming children and families, while also providing a place to eat and build community,” Associate Vice President of Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Traci Simmons said, “We also want this center to be a centralized location where all of the re-

sources available to students are within reach.” To ensure the equity center is designed with students in mind, MHCC created a student basic needs team with members from various departments. The team is focused on creating a space that is both human-centered and equity-centered, considering the feedback and suggestions from students. “It’s really hard to strive for success when you don’t know where you’re going to sleep at night and it’s also really hard to focus when you are hungry or when you don’t have access to the information you need,” MHCC student Rheyna Tehrar said, “So I think that it’s really great that the college is providing a space where people can figure out what they need to be safe and also be able to have access to a space where they feel welcome and they can know that whatever they’re needing in that moment is going to be accepted and not considered an inconvenience by anyone.” Several Oregon lawmakers including Rep. Ricki Ruiz, Sen. Chris Gorsek, former Rep. Anna Williams, and former Rep. Jeff Reardon were instrumental in securing the funding for this project.

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