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Robert 'Mac' Morrison

BUCYRUS -- Robert "Mac" Morrison, 87, died Friday afternoon, March 14, 2008, at Bucyrus Community Hospital.

He had been in failing health. Mac was born in Tilbury Ontario Canada to Alva and Gertrude (Ainslie) Morrison, both deceased. Also preceding him in death are Brothers William and James, and Sister Mary Luginbill. On December 14, 1947 he married Rose Mary Haala who survives.

» ADVERTISEMENT » Also surviving are children Gary Morrison of Laguna Niguel CA, Larry (Linda) Morrison and Barbara (Brian) Glowaski both of Bucyrus, Daughter-in-Law Pam Morrison of Columbus, Grandchildren Marin, Justin, and Whitney Morrison, Nathan, Jake, and Tyler Glowaski, Sister Betty Pingle of Waterville OH, and Sister-in-Law Mildred Morrison of Marion.

He graduated from Mount Corey High School in 1938, attended Colgate and Columbia Universities, graduated from Ohio University in 1946, attended Ohio State University and earned his Masters Degree in Education from Bowling Green State University.

He was a U.S. Navy Veteran in the Pacific during World War II and was a Member of American Legion Post 181, and a Member of Holy Trinity Catholic Church.

Mac devoted 37 years to area schools as a coach, teacher, and administrator. He began teaching at Leesville High School in 1946, where he also coached at every level in the Basketball program. From 1952-1959 he taught and Coached at Mount Zion High School after which he began his tenure at Colonel Crawford High school where the Gymnasium currently bears his name. Mac's basketball teams amassed a record of 326 wins and 94 losses over 19 seasons. He served the Northwest District Athletic Board for 42 years and held posts of Commissioner and Executive Secretary of the Northern Ohio League for 42 years. A Member of the Ohio High School Basketball Coaches Hall of Fame, in 1976 Mac was honored with the Naismith Award for his continued involvement in Ohio High School Athletics. In 1992 he was presented with the Distinguished Service Award from the National Federation of Interscholastic Coaches Association. From 1954-1974 he and Rose Mary owned and operated Mac's Drive-In on East Mansfield Street.

Friends may call Monday from 2 to 4 and 6 to 8 p.m. at the Munz-Pirnstill Funeral Home where a Wake Service will be held at 7:45 p.m. Mass of Christian burial will be recited Tuesday at 11 a.m. in Holy Trinity Catholic Church with the Rev. Ronald LeJeune as Celebrant. Burial will follow in Holy Trinity Cemetery with Military Rites by the American Legion Post 181.

Memorials may be made through the funeral home to Robert "Mac" Morrison Scholarship Fund, the Wynford Education Foundation, or Home Care Matters.



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