



Deets, William 'Noel'

Klamath Falls, OR

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William "Noel" Noel Deets, of Klamath Falls, died Feb. 26, 2008. He was 81.

Mr. Deets was born June 19, 1926, in Dierks, Ark., the son of William and Eulon Deets.

He graduated from Klamath Union High School in 1944. He graduated from Southern Oregon College in 1956, and he earned a master's degree from the University of Oregon in 1966.

He married Frances Gilcrist on June 29, 1947, in Klamath Falls.

Mr. Deets served in the U.S. Army 96th Division during World War II. He earned a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart.

He worked as a teacher, speech pathologist and special education director in Ashland, Redmond, Prineville and Klamath Falls.

He was a member of the Klamath Symphony and the Old Car Club.

He enjoyed playing the saxophone, tennis, going to church and spending time with family.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Bill, of Blodgett; two daughters, Leigh Ann Arthur, of Klamath Falls, and Gayle, of Sunriver; a brother, Merle; two sisters, Erma Barton and Evelyn Garner; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by a grandchild.