

Robert W. 'Bob' Kempter, 91
Doris Marie Kempter, 87

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A celebration will be held for Robert W. "Bob" Kempter Sr. and his wife, Doris Marie Kempter, at 2 p.m. Saturday, May 9, at Young's Funeral Home in Tigard, Ore.

Bob, 91, passed away Oct. 25, 2008.

Doris, 87, passed away April 21, 2009.

Bob was born in Leavenworth, Wash. He spent his early boyhood years in Wenatchee, Wash., and other places around the West, following his father, Charles, who was in the lumber trading business.

Bob attended University of California Berkeley before

joining the active Army in World War II as a medical laboratory supervisor.

Doris was born in Hillyard, Wash. She and her sisters, Marie and Virginia, were adopted and raised by Glenn and Mary Fish of Spokane, Wash.

Doris graduated from Lewis and Clark High School and was employed during the war as a medical transcriptionist for an Army doctor. After the war, she worked for General Insurance Co. in Spokane, where Doris met Bob.

Bob and Doris married Dec. 12, 1947, in Spokane.

During their marriage, they lived in various West Coast cities before settling in Lake Oswego, Ore., in 1965.

Bob spent his career in the insurance industry, while Doris was a homemaker.

Bob enjoyed fishing and music from an early age. He and Doris often performed jazz pieces for themselves and friends, with Doris singing lead.

Doris enjoyed oil painting, sewing, elegant dinners with friends and dancing.

When the couple lived in Bellevue, Wash., both were enthusiastic members of Bellevue's Meydenbauer

Bay Yacht Club, where they went on many predicted log races and cruised the Puget Sound year-round in their power boat, the Spindrift.

The Kempters attended First Congregational Church of Bellevue.

They enjoyed their lives together.

The couple is survived by a son Robert Jr. of Tigard; a daughter, Sheri L. McQuade of Bonniers Ferry; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; a sister Marjorie Young of Beaverton, Ore.; and his aunt Gretchen Minard in Wenatchee, who is 107.