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## **1945 Smokejumper Rookies**

Mummery through Norman Zook

### **William James Mummery (McCall '45)**

Bill died March 11, 1968, in Dibble, Oklahoma. He was born December 30, 1922, in Wichita, Kansas and was a member of the Methodist Church. Bill was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 from Evanston, Illinois, where he was a student. He jumped at McCall during the 1945 season and got seven training and six fire jumps.

Bill was discharged from CPS in June 1945 and married his wife, Phyllis, in 1946. He graduated from the University of Oklahoma in 1960 and was a Professor of Psychology at that school.

### **Carlton Elwood Naugle (Missoula '45)**

Carl, 77, died January 23, 1999, in Las Vegas, Nevada. He was born May 18, 1921, in Courtdale, PA. He joined the smokejumpers in 1945 coming out of the Marine Corps paratrooper program and had five training and four fire jumps that season.

Carl married Helen McGee in June of 1946 and he was a student at the University of Montana at that time. He is buried in the Southern Nevada Veterans Cemetery in Boulder City, Nevada.

### **Alvin Nisly (McCall '45)**

Alvin, 91, died November 29, 2013, in Sheridan, Oregon. He was born March 4, 1922, in Hutchinson, Kansas and was a member of the Mennonite Church. Alvin was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 from McMinnville, Oregon and his occupation was listed as "Logger."

He jumped at McCall during the 1945 season. Alvin married Wilma Shenk in Yamhill, Oregon, in June 1947. He is buried in the Mennonite Cemetery in Polk County, Oregon.

### **David Russell Palmer (Missoula '45)**

Russ died August 12, 2012. He was born January 9, 1917, in Chester, Pennsylvania. The family belonged to the Friends Church (Quakers). After high school Russ wanted to get into aviation and went to various schools including Penn State, but did not graduate. He landed his first paying job as a welder at a factory in West Trenton, NJ.

Russ was drafted into Civilian Public Service in the fall of 1941. Over the years he was in four or five different camps before being selected for the

CPS-103 smokejumper unit at Missoula. He made eight training and six fire jumps that season. He was discharged in December 1945.

After moving around for several years, Russ took the job as head mechanic at an airport near Lansdale, PA, where he worked for 19 years retiring at age 65. He moved to the eastern shore of Maryland and sailed his 22-foot sailboat on Chesapeake Bay.

### **Leonard N. “Nick” Pauls** (Cave Junction '45)

Nick, age 88, died in Roseville, California on June 4, 2013. He was born in Buhler, Kansas, on August 9, 1924, and the family made the move to California while he was still young. At age 18 he registered for the draft on December 12, 1942. Nick qualified for the Civilian Public Service and came to the jumpers at Cave Junction for the 1945 fire season.

Following WWII he graduated from the Pacific Bible Institute at Fresno, California, in 1949 and began his 63-year marriage that same year. He worked as a carpenter in the Fresno and San Jose areas until his retirement. Nick is buried at the Roseville Public Cemetery at Roseville, California.

### **Victor John Peters** (Missoula '45)

Victor, 79, died November 8, 1999, in Hesston, Kansas. He was born March 13, 1920, in Goessel, Kansas and was a member of the Mennonite faith. He was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1942 from Peabody, Kansas, where he was a farmer. He jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season and got six training, three fire and one rescue jump.

### **Theodore Norman Pfeifer** (Missoula '45)

Ted died December 31, 1995, in Columbiana, OH. He was born in May 1919, in Clark Mills, New York, into a family belonging to the Christian Missionary Alliance Church. He went to grade school in Clark Mills and graduated from high school in Clinton, NY, in 1939.

Ted entered Civilian Public Service when the war started and reported to a camp in Massachusetts and later to the smokejumper unit in Missoula for the 1945 season.

After the war Ted worked in a hardware store and a successful bottle gas business in Middletown, OH.

### **Roy Lynn Piepenburg** (Missoula '45)

Roy was born February 12, 1926, in Reedsville, Wisconsin. When he was in high school the family, led by his mother, joined the Religious Society of

Friends (Quakers). This started Roy on a lifetime journey as a peace activist. His passion for peace got him into many conflicts during the 1940s and years after.

He graduated from Madison West H.S. (WI) in 1944 just prior to entering CPS. Roy entered Civilian Public Service in 1944 and was assigned to Camp 94 at Trenton, North Dakota. It was at that time he established friends with the “landless Indians” who lived near Trenton. This was the start of his lifelong involvement with Indian Affairs in Canada.

Roy jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season, was transferred to Camp 128 at La Pine, OR, and discharged in 1946. He returned to Madison and graduated from the University of Wisconsin School of Education in 1952. His first teaching assignment was at Lac Court Oreilles Reservation in Northern WI. Later he taught at the Bureau of Indian Affairs schools in Wyoming, Arizona, and Utah.

In 1961 he emigrated to Canada and took teaching position in the Northwest Territories and, after three years, was promoted to school Superintendent, Indian Affairs, St Paul, Alberta.

Roy was a lifetime peace advocate and after retirement continued with his involvement in Project Ploughshares and the Canadian Peace Alliance. “I planned to dedicate my life to social reform along avenues that would aid the poor and oppressed. That is how I got involved in Indian education and aboriginal rights.”

### **Ralph Poterfield (McCall '45)**

Ralph jumped at McCall during the 1945 season and had seven training and one fire jump. No further information can be found.

### **Kenneth W. Puphal (Missoula '45)**

Ken was born October 3, 1926, in Syracuse, New York, and grew up in Minnesota. He graduated from high school in Jamestown, North Dakota, in 1944 and rookied at Missoula in 1945 just a year out of high school. He jumped the 1945 season with eight practice and seven fire jumps.

Ken graduated from Idaho State University in 1953 and spent his working career with the Idaho Nation Laboratory as a research chemist until his retirement in 1985. INL is the nation’s leading center for nuclear energy research and development. Somewhere during that time period, he spent four years in the Air Force. He is currently living in Idaho Falls, Idaho.

### **Robert Otto Rehfeld (Missoula '45)**

Bob, 88, died January 16, 2016, in Lewiston, Idaho. He was born April 28, 1927, in Missoula, Montana. He was 18 years old and just out of high school when he rookied at Missoula in 1945 making seven practice and six fire jumps that season. Bob graduated from the University of Montana, where he played tackle on the Grizzly football team, with a degree in Forestry in 1950.

Bob served in the Army during the Korean War and returned to a career with the USFS where he retired as Forest Supervisor for the Superior N.F. in 1982. Bob jumped during the 1945-46 seasons.

### **Homer Allen Rice** (Missoula '45)

Homer died June 26, 2016, in Salem, Oregon. He was born November 25, 1925, in Greenford, Ohio. He graduated from Hesston, a Mennonite school in Central Kansas.

Homer was a member of the CPS-103 smokejumper unit during WWII. Homer was 19 years old when he reported for smokejumper training. In addition to his seven training jumps, he had seven fire jumps during the busy 1945 season.

Homer worked as a professional house painter after moving to Oregon in 1947. He was a member of the Zion Mennonite Church and was married to his wife, Josie, for 68 years.

### **Albert Kingsley Rodman** (McCall '45)

Albert died November 20, 1990, in Northampton, Connecticut. He was born in Hartford, Connecticut, November 23, 1920, and was a member of the Congregational Christian Church. Al was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 and jumped at McCall in 1945 making seven training and seven fire jumps.

He was discharged from CPS in 1946 and returned to Hartford where he married Martha Grumbach in 1949.

### **Fred W. Rungee** (Missoula '45)

Fred died March 27, 2015, at the age of 93. He was born in 1921 and drafted into CPS in 1943 from New Haven, Connecticut, where his occupation at the time was listed as "Student." Fred has seven training and five fire jumps during the 1945 season.

One of the few remaining CPS-103 jumpers, he was immensely proud of his service to his country as a conscientious objector with the fledgling smokejumpers of the Civilian Public Service program during WWII. He diligently worked toward a world at peace throughout his entire life.

As a woodsman, Fred qualified as a true Alaskan. He was an adventurer who looked comfortable in a canoe or kayak, on snowshoes or a motorcycle, helicopter, or Oldsmobile. Often, he could be found in the woods, on foot with his double bit axe, his model 70 Winchester hunting rifle and a 60-pound pack. He was a true leader by example who, after a brief residency in Montana, made his home in Alaska where he worked for the Bureau of Land Management as the Fire Management Officer of the Glennallen District responsible for all forest fire control in that area –about the size of New York State.

Of his more than 70 years in Alaska, he resided primarily in the town of Glennallen. Upon retirement in 1978, he moved to the Slana area to a cabin that he himself built two and a half miles from the nearest road. Packing all the materials and even a massive wood stove he needed for the cabin on foot, he did concede using a buckboard to move in his piano.

### **Robert Warner Schilpp (Missoula '45)**

Bob died August 27, 2008, from West Nile Virus in Tulare, California. He was born October 18, 1923, in San Jose, California and was a member of the Methodist Church. He was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 from Evanston, Illinois, where he was working as a grocery clerk. He jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season getting seven training and six fire jumps.

### **Abraham J. "Abe" Schlabach (Missoula '45)**

Abe died July 8, 1996, in Phoenix, Arizona. He was born on a farm near Yoder, Kansas, August 24, 1925. Abe was the eighth in a family of nine children. When still a baby, the family moved to an Amish Community near Plain City, Ohio.

He attended local schools, was active in the Amish Community and graduated with honors from high school. At age 16 he was given the job to lead in the construction of a new barn which was still standing in the late 1990s. In 1944 he was drafted into the Civilian Public Service, sent to a couple camps, and was accepted to the CPS-103 smokejumper unit in 1945. Abe was in the second group of jumpers trained at Nine Mile that year. He has seven training, seven fire and one rescue jump during that season.

After his discharge from CPA, Abe returned to farming before heading to Arizona in 1949 where he worked as a truck mechanic. In 1962 he decided to attend Palmer Chiropractic College in Davenport, Iowa. Abe's wife was also a qualified Chiropractor and they returned to Arizona and took over a

practice owed by his wife's father. Abe continued to teach Sunday School in the Amish/Mennonite tradition.

**Willard D. Schmidt** (Missoula '45)

Willard, age 76, died in Sacramento, California, on December 25, 2002. He was born in Andover, Kansas, on February 23, 1926. At age 18 he registered for the draft and qualified for the Civilian Public Service program. During the 1945 fire season he was one of the CPS jumpers at Missoula. Following the war, most of his life was lived in the Andover, Kansas area. He is buried at Lakeview Cemetery at Wichita, Kansas.

**Robert Clay Searles** (Missoula '45)

Bob died July 13, 2014. He was born May 6, 1916, in Everett, Washington and was a member of the Methodist Church. Bob was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1942 from Tacoma, WA, and his occupation at the time was listed as "Musician."

Bob Jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season and had eight practice, three fire and one rescue jump. He was discharged from CPS in 1946 and eventually ended up living in the Los Angeles area. He was active in radio and TV in the during his career. Bob was an accomplished musician, playing at some of the best spots in the LA area including the famed Coconut Grove. He and Dick Flaharty (MSO-45) provided the entertainment at many of the CPS jumper reunions.

**Maynard W. Shetler** (Missoula '45)

Maynard, who headed the Herald Press book division of Mennonite Publishing House died October 15, 2002, at age 80. He was born October 2, 1922, in Mason, Iowa. He was the first of eight children. The family moved to Illinois and, over the next 14 years, lived in several Mennonite communities. In 1937 the family moved to Cochran, PA, where he graduated from high school in 1940.

He was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 and reported to the smokejumper unit in 1944 where he broke his foot on the 2nd training jump and was assigned lookout duty for that season. Maynard came back for the 1945 season and had eight fire jumps.

"The two years in smokejumpers were a time of significant spiritual growth. The early camps consisted mostly of Mennonites with little conflict on doctrine. The smokejumpers contained a broad spectrum of beliefs from radical Pentecostals to modernists. In discussions you either proved your point or you weren't heard."

Maynard graduated from Goshen College in 1953 and achieved advanced degrees in 1954 and 1955. His work at the publishing house began in 1955 where he worked until his retirement in 1989. He helped shape hundreds of books and helped develop Bible school curricula used by many denominations across North America.

**William L. Siemon** (Missoula'45)

William was born in Chicago, Illinois about 1917-20. He was a member of the Baptist faith and drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1942 from Chicago where his occupation was listed as "Teacher." William jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season and got seven training and three fire jumps. His last name is listed in the 1945 records as "Simon," but the CPS master records list it as "Siemon." No exact information could be obtained as to exact date of birth or death.

**Irvin J. Slabach** (Missoula '45)

Irvin, 96, of Fort Wayne, passed away on Saturday, March 12, 2016, at Hospice Home in Fort Wayne, Indiana. He was born on February 26, 1920. Irvin was a tool and die maker for 40 years and worked at Wells Aluminum. During World War II, he was a smokejumper in Montana with the CPS-103 group and had at least two fire jumps.

**Gerhard Ernst Smeiska** (Missoula '45)

Gerhard was born August 25, 1925, in Milwaukee, WI. He is still living at age 94 according to our research. Gerhard is a member of the Lutheran Church and was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1944 from Milwaukee where his occupation is listed as "Truck Driver."

He jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season and got seven practice and five fire jumps. Records show him involved in Lutheran World Relief projects.

**David Symon Smith** (Missoula '45)

David, 77, died April 21, 2001, in Nampa, Idaho. He was born March 14, 1924, in Salt Lake City, Utah. He was a Methodist minister at the time he was drafted into Civilian Public Service from Rupert, Idaho, in 1943. He jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season and got seven training and one fire jump.

David earned his BA in English from the College of Idaho and his Master's in Divinity from Garrett Theological Seminary. He married his wife

Alice in 1945. David ministered at many churches in the Pacific Northwest before settling in Nampa.

**David Lantz Smucker (McCall '45)**

David, 29, was killed June 7, 1955, in an auto-truck collision just south of Chicago, Illinois. He was born April 14, 1926, in Smithville, Ohio and was a member of the Mennonite faith and the son of Reverend Jesse Smucker. David was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1944 from Bluffton, Ohio, where was attending Bluffton College. He jumped at McCall during the busy 1945 season and got seven fire jumps in addition to his seven training jumps.

**Dean L. Sommers (Missoula '45)**

Dean died at the age of 79 at his home in Canton, Ohio, on Sept. 8, 2005. He was the youngest of ten children and only two survive him. His father died when he was ten, and Dean had to quit school early to support his mother. He was a hard-working individual all his life.

Dean was a member of the Mennonite Church and was drafted into Civilian Public Service in early 1945 from Louisville, Ohio, where his occupation at that time was listed as "Farmer."

During the war years he worked in mental hospitals and was a CPS-103 smokejumper at Missoula during the 1945 fire season where he got seven training and three fire jumps.

**Robert A. Stelle (Missoula '45)**

Robert, 90, died October 7, 2015. He was born August 14, 1925, in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. He jumped the 1945 season as a member of the Civilian Public Service 103 group and made at least two fire jumps.

**Robert Stutzman (McCall '45)**

Robert was born October 4, 1923, in Wood River, Nebraska. He was living in Lebanon, Oregon, when he registered for the draft in 1942 and a member of the Mennonite Church. He was inducted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 from Lebanon where he was working in a sawmill.

Robert jumped at McCall during the 1945 season and to seven practice and seven fire jumps.

No records show a date of death. His last residence was in Salem, Oregon, where he would be 97 years old at this time (11/20).

**Thomas Jasper Summers (McCall '45)**

Tom, 78, died April 5, 2002, in Reno, Nevada. He was born in Nashville, Tennessee, March 23, 1924. He was a Civilian Public Service jumper stationed at McCall during the 1945 season and made seven fire jumps.

Tom studied at University of Redlands, University of California, and the University of Nevada. He had a master's degree in English and taught at several high schools in Reno, Truckee Meadows college and the University of Nevada.

Tom was a well-known artist in the Reno area with a local studio in Verdi, Nevada. He was a devoted hiker and a volunteer ski patrolman. He traveled extensively throughout Europe.

### **Norman C. Swihart** (Missoula '45)

Norman died July 26, 2015, at his home in Goshen, Indiana. He was a member of the Brethren Church and drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1944 from Goshen where he was farming. He jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season getting seven training and three fire jumps.

A longtime area resident, Norm worked in transportation and custodial areas for the Jefferson and Middlebury school systems, retiring in 1988 as transportation and custodial coordinator from Goshen Community Schools. He was a member of the Dunkard Brethren Church, Goshen.

### **Hubert Richie Taylor** (Missoula '45)

Hubert, 82, died July 13, 1998, in Southampton, Pennsylvania. He was born June 16, 1916, in Philadelphia, PA, and was a Quaker. He was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1946 and his occupation at that time was listed as "Lawyer." Hubert was a graduate of Haverford College (PA).

He was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1942 and jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season making five practice and four fire jumps.

A member of a prominent Philadelphia family, he was the fourth generation to practice law at a Center City firm. He graduated from the Westtown School in Chester County in 1934 and received his bachelor's degree from Haverford College four years later. He earned his law degree from the Temple University School of Law.

### **Philip Thomforde** (Missoula '45)

Phil, 89, died Feb. 23, 2010, in Pleasant Hill, Tennessee. He was born December 9, 1920, in Maulton, PA. the third of six children in a Quaker

family. He graduated from Penn State University in 1942 with a degree in agriculture and registered as a conscientious objector when World War II broke out.

That led to alternate service, including a one-year stint as a smokejumper in Missoula where he got 16 jumps during the 1945 season. Phil later worked in mental hospitals for war veterans in Philadelphia and was shocked by the conditions he saw. He spent two months on Welfare Island near New York City, eating sea biscuits and drinking salt water as part of a research project by the Army, causing damage to his teeth that lasted the rest of his life.

In 1946-48 Phil served in China for the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Agency. He met his wife, Winnie in China They settled in Pennsylvania; he taught agriculture to high school students. He worked for UNESCO in Iran in 1956 as an agricultural advisor, moving to Italy in 1959 while working for the UN's Food and Agriculture Organization, a post he held for 22 years while visiting more than 70 countries. Phil retired in 1982 to Pleasant Hill where he served a four-year term as mayor.

He and his wife went back to China 1985-86 at volunteer teachers at the Nanjing Agricultural University.

### **Clarence Trust Tieszen** (Missoula '45)

Clarence, 96, died on February 24, 2019. He was born in Lustre, Montana, on September 1, 1922, and, typical of many farm families of that time, completed his formal education at the 8th grade and then went to work on the family farm. He was a member of the Mennonite Church.

Clarence was the oldest of six children on the farm that was 25 miles from the nearest town. "When I was born, we lived in a building that served both as a barn and home with a single wall separating the areas."

Clarence was drafted into Civilian Public Service in 1943 and jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season making seven training and six fire jumps.

In notes from CPS reunions, Clarence lists his job after the war as working for the BLM in Anchorage, Alaska, as an equipment maintenance mechanic for the Anchorage District Fire Control. He also notes two tours to Nigeria as an equipment specialist for Aid for International Development. He called it "the experience I cherished more than anything else in my life" the four years building reservoirs for Nigerian farmers with USAID.

### **Philip Daniel Toth** (McCall '45)

Philip, 99 died October 11, 2019, just two months shy of his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday. He was born on December 15, 1919, in Syracuse, NY. He was

the successful business owner of Toth's Cleaning Center, as well as a dedicated church pastor. He jumped at McCall during the 1945 season as a member of the Civilian Public Service 103 group. Phil had seven fire jumps.

**Levi P. Tschetter** (Missoula '45)

Levi was born June 2, 1917, at the Maxwell Hutterite Colony in Manitoba, Canada. He died September 29, 1994, in Watertown, SD, at the age of 77. Levi jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season. He had six training and three fire jumps. On his last fire jump, he broke his foot and hip ending the season for him.

After his discharge from the Civilian Public Service, he returned to the New Elm Springs Colony in South Dakota where he taught school.

Levi received his bachelor's degree from South Dakota Wesleyan and his master's from South Dakota State in Brookings. He taught English and German for 32 years finishing at the Poinsett Hutterite Colony near Estelline, SD. The Hutterites are the oldest Christian communal society in the world (450 years) and there are more than 350 colonies in the US and Canada.

**Donald Ray Unruh** (Missoula '45)

Don died December 29, 2001, at his home in Findlay, Ohio, of pancreatic cancer at the age of 77. He was born October 28, 1924, in Hillsboro, Kansas and was a member of the Mennonite Church. His occupation at the time was listed as "Farmer."

He was drafted into the Civilian Public Service and jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season. Don got eight training and three fire jumps.

Don served in the Merchant Marines for two years in the late 1940s and later became a teacher at Findlay High School where he taught automotive math and theory until his retirement in 1986.

**Norman Arthur Watkins** (Missoula'45)

Norman died June 19, 1993, in Ferndale, Washington. He was born December 19, 1925, in Omaha, Nebraska. Norman jumped at Missoula 1945-50 and had seven training and four fire jumps during the 1945 season. Records indicate that he was in the Army 1943-44. Possible Airborne since he came to Missoula to jump. He married Josephine Rankin in 1951 while living in Montana.

**William P. Weber** (Missoula'45)

Bill, 89, died November 1, 2008, in Wilton, Wisconsin. He was born May 31, 1919, on a farm near Kendall, Wisconsin. Bill was a farm boy from and joined the CPS program in 1941 jumping at Missoula during the 1944-45 seasons.

The three boys in the family went different directions during WWII. Bill went into CPS, a brother went into the Air Force, and a brother got a farm workers deferment.

After the war Bill spent four years volunteering with the American Friends Service Committee in Europe helping with food distribution programs. He went back into farming in 1952 and in 1957 opened a photography business in which he remained until 1981.

Bill was active in social and environmental issues and ran for state representative at one time.

He and his wife returned to Koblenz, Germany, in 1987 to have a reunion with the many children to whom they had helped distribute food and clothing 40 years earlier.

### **Carroll Eugene “Gene” Yoder (Missoula '45)**

Gene died February 6, 2020, in Hesston, Kansas, at age 93. He was born on June 29, 1926, a few miles away near McPherson, Kansas and grew up helping his parents farm in the area. He registered for the WWII draft on his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday and was drafted into the Civilian Public Service (CPS) as a conscientious objector in October 1944.

Gene was assigned to CPS camps based in Lincoln, Nebraska, Colorado Springs, Colorado, and the Forest Service Camp 31 near Camino California on the Eldorado National Forest where he gained experience in forest fire suppression. Like many CPS draftee's, he was verbally abused by locals and accused of cowardice for his religion-based opposition to military service, especially while at Camp 31. His daughter Beth stated in an August 2020 interview that Gene told her he volunteered for the smokejumper CPS camp at Missoula to prove his bravery. He jumped there during the busy 1945 season and fire records indicate he made at least one jump on the Nez Perce National Forest in Idaho.

After his release from the CPS, Gene returned to Kansas and married Dorothy Miller in 1949. Together they raised three children in the Hesston area. He was self-employed and owned/operated a successful floor covering business before retiring.

Gene is remembered by family and friends as a loving family man with an intense work ethic and who was everyone's friend. He was an avid fisherman. Even in his last years when confined to a wheelchair, Gene

loved to fish at a pond near his care facility. He was also a master hobby carpenter building hundreds of birdhouses that still grace many homes in Hesston.

Gene was extremely proud of his time as a smoke jumper. In 2010, a Ford Trimotor was touring Kansas and daughter Beth bought him a ride in it. Gene said afterwards through a broad smile that he had never landed in a Ford until that day, only taken off.

**Norman Vernon Zook** (Missoula '45)

Norman, 98, died March 24, 2016. He was born September 8, 1917, in Mio, Michigan, grew up on a farm, and graduated from high school in Fairview, MI. When he drafted into the Civilian Public Service, he worked at three camps before reporting to CPS-103 smokejumpers during the 1945 where he made at least three fire jumps.

After the war, Norman had many jobs: Shuttle driving at the Portland Airport, working a cattle ranch in Southern Oregon, and working for Haley Logging Company in Oregon.

He lived in La Pine and Redmond, Oregon.