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Smokejumper Obituary

Case, George C. (Missoula 1944)

George, 66, died February 18, 1990, at his home in Phoenix, Arizona. He was born April 4, 1923, in Greenport, New York and raised in Shelter Island, NY.

George was drafted into Civilian Public Service during WWII and, along with his brother George, reported to Nine Mile in 1944 to begin smokejumper training with the CPS-103 unit. He jumped the 1944 and 45 seasons. Both brothers had fallen in love with Montana and returned to that state in 1949.

George worked for the Florence Laundry Co., the Kraabel Chevrolet dealership and as manager of Medicine Hot Springs Resort before moving to Phoenix in 1978. He operated a laundromat until his retirement.

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