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Smokejumper Obituary

Jackson, H. Reid (McCall 1949)

Reid, 91, died July 29, 2018. He grew up in Logan, Utah, and moved to Ogden in 1944. Just shy of his 18th birthday he joined the Navy and trained as a tail gunner for the planned invasion of Japan.

When the war ended, Reid enrolled at Utah State University and graduated in 1950 with a degree in Forestry. He rookied at McCall in 1949 and worked there until 1956. He was promoted to Foreman at McCall in 1953. In 1956 he took a position as District Ranger on the Heise R.D. near Idaho Falls. In 1960 Reid moved to Boise and took the job as Fire Staff Officer on the Boise N.F.

In 1970 he moved to Nevada City, California, and became the Deputy Supervisor of the Tahoe N.F. In the summer of 1975, he transferred to the Bridger-Teton N.F. as Forest Supervisor. In 1983 he received the Distinguished Service Award from the USDA.

Reid retired to Jackson Hole, Wyoming, in 1985 after 42 years of service in the USFS.

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