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Smokejumper Obituary

Aiken, Max (Missoula 1947)

Max, 87, died May 12, 2013, in Salem, Oregon. He served in the U.S. Army from September 1945 through November 1946, and later had stints with the National Guard in Oregon and California. Max earned a bachelor's degree in Forestry from the University of Michigan, a master's degree in Divinity from the American Baptist Seminary of the West, and a master's in Education from Oregon College of Education (now Western Oregon University). He also earned a degree from the Council for Clinical Training.

Max worked in the timber industry and as a pastor before becoming a counselor for Marion County Juvenile Court and the Mid-Willamette Jobs Council. He jumped at Missoula during the 1947 season. Max's enthusiasm for travel took him to many parts of the U.S. as well as to Germany, India and the United Kingdom.

Max jumped at Missoula during the 1947 season.

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