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Robert L. Kaufman (Missoula'45)

Robert, 74, died of cancer November 15, 1999, in Moundridge, KS. He was born December 31, 1924, in Belmont, Kansas. He was a member of the Mennonite Church and was drafted into Civilian Public Service from Cleveland, KS, in 1944. Robert jumped at Missoula during the 1945 season and had seven training and three fire jumps.

After his discharge, he was a farmer and owner/operator of a farm equipment firm in McPherson, KS, until 1995 when he moved to Moundridge. He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in McPherson. Survivors include his wife of 48 years, Martha.

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