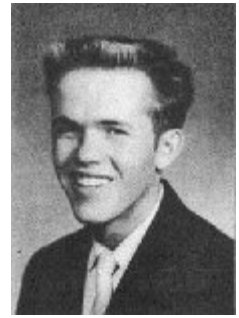


Edward "Ed" Clark

*as noted below in his father's obituary (below) of February 2007,
in the Peninsula Daily News



PORT ANGELES - Memorial services will be held Friday for Port Angeles civic leader Earl W. Clark, onetime managing editor of the Port Angeles Evening News who later taught journalism at Peninsula College. Mr. Clark, who died Sunday at his Port Angeles home of age-related causes, was 95.

The Columbus, Ohio, native worked for newspapers in his home state and West Virginia during the Great Depression, then at age 28 bought the struggling Deshler (Ohio) Flag for \$300 down in 1939. He sold the Flag in 1946 and visited the West for the first time with his young family.

After a newspaper stint in Pennsylvania, his first West Coast job was as city editor of the Port Angeles Evening News, starting on St. Patrick's Day 1948. The Evening News, founded in 1916, is the predecessor of the Peninsula Daily News.

Mr. Clark, who became managing editor - including appointment to The Associated Press State Managing Editor Committee - stayed at the Evening News for six years before he purchased the weekly Edmonds Tribune-Review in 1954.

Following an 11-year stint during which he was twice president of the Washington Newspaper Publishers Association, Mr. Clark sold the Tribune-Review in 1965 and became editorial and documentary writer for KIRO-TV in Seattle for three years.

He returned to Port Angeles in 1969 to pursue freelance writing - he sold about 200 articles to such magazines as Harpers, American Heritage, Family Circle and American Forests - and journalism teaching at Peninsula College. He also was advertising manager for First National Bank in Port Angeles in 1969-76.

Mr. Clark was twice named Editor of the Week by the national trade publication, The Publishers Auxiliary, in 1941 and 1958.

A musical performer since his college days at Ohio State University, Mr. Clark sang in the Port Angeles Community Chorus and First Baptist Church Choir, did comic routines with the Olympic Banjo Band and, years later, Banjos 101 in Sequim, and served five terms as president of the Community Concerts association.

During his Evening News days, Mr. Clark was building chairman when the Clallam County Family YMCA converted a former hospital into a Y building, and later served as YMCA president.

Following his return in 1969, he was president of Clallam County Hostelrys, which operated Outlook Inn for people with mental disabilities; served on the Clallam County Shorelines Advisory Committee; was two-term president and honorary life member of Port Angeles Community Players; served on the Friends of Peninsula College board; and was clerk of First Baptist Church. He was a member of the Port Angeles Masonic Temple and Toastmasters.

He was named secretary of the Olympic Peninsula Bed & Breakfast Association in 1996, three years after he and his wife opened their Port Angeles home as a B&B.

Most recently, Mr. Clark was a moderator for the Round Table on Politics discussions at the Port Angeles Senior and Community Center.

Mr. Clark, who was born Sept. 12, 1911, to William and Edna (Sheets) Clark in Columbus, Ohio, married the former Maxine "Mackey" Mooney in Columbus in November 1935. She died in 1967.

On April 25, 1970, he married the former Maxine Jeffrey in Lynnwood.

The couple were awarded a certificate of appreciation from Clallam County in 2001 for 30 years of service as election precinct workers.

Mr. Clark is survived by his wife; sons Stewart Clark of Mill Valley, Calif., and Gordon Clark of Weaverville, N.C.; daughter Arlene Clark Mack of Thompson Falls, Mont.; sister Alice Clark Burton of Dayton, Ohio; 10 grandchildren, 24 great-grandchildren and four great-great-grandchildren.

In addition to his first wife, Mr. Clark was *preceded in death by son Edward Clark; brother Max Clark, who was killed in the D-Day invasion during World War II; and sister Dorothy Clark Gump.

Drennan-Ford Funeral Home of Port Angeles is in charge of arrangements