



Otto Ohmart

December 15, 2009

Otto Ohmart, 86, of Cape Girardeau, Mo. , died Tuesday, December 15, 2009 at St. Francis Medical Center in Cape Girardeau. He was born Monday, April 30, 1923 in Olive Branch, IL to Otto and Susie Trott Ohmart . He and Edna Dix were married at Granite City, Il. on April 2, 1950. He graduated from Mounds Township High School as salutatorian of the class of 1941. He served in the Army Air Force during World War II in the Aleutian Islands where he was an outpost radio operator. He graduated from Southeast Missouri State University and Kansas State University of Emporia and did post graduate studies at the Mountain Lake Biological Station of the University of Virginia. He was a science teacher at Anna-Jonesboro High School and Johnston City High School in Illinois and a member of Southeast Missouri State University biology department during his last 23 years of teaching. He made a major contribution to the herbarium there with specimens from many places in the United States and Canada. Of particular enjoyment to him were his nature study and plant taxonomy classes. After retirement he was a volunteer at St. Francis Medical Center for 18 years considering his service there of highest personal reward. Preceding him in death were the members of his birth family of mother, father, sister, Louise Stiles, and brother, Clifford Ohmart. His immediate family survivors include his wife, three daughters and husbands, Linda (Steve) Hope, Elaine (Tim) Prenger, and Susan (Larry) Ruebel, as well as two grandchildren, Kirk Prenger and Katie Prenger. There will be a visitation on Saturday, December 19, 2009 from 1:00PM to 3:00PM at Ford &

Sons Mt. Auburn Home in Cape Girardeau, Mo. A celebration of his life will be at 3:00PM at the funeral home officiated by Rev. Rodger Kiepe of the Abbey Road Christian Church (D.O.C.) Interment will be at the Cape County Memorial Park. In lieu of flowers the family suggests memorial contributions to the St. Francis Auxillary or to the church or charity of the donor's choice.

Tribute Wall

DW

“ Edna, Otto made such an impact on me and his other students with his knowledge of botany and nature in general. Through his efforts many people have been inspired to study nature, its creatures and plants. He will be missed on this planet. Charlie Wilson- Cape Nature Center volunteer

Dr Charles Wilson - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

KM

“ Dear Sue; We have all lost a fine man and you a loving father. God bless you all in the sweet memories that brighten your days of missing him. Ken Moxey

Ken Moxey - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

GM

“ I remember the Ohmarts fondly. Sorry to hear of Otto's passing. Glenn Hudgens AJCHS class of 1952

Glenn E. Hudgens MD - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AK

“ Linda, I am so sorry to hear of the loss of your dad. He was a special person, both in his accomplishments and in your life. Please let me know if there is anything I can do.

Annette Kehner - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

AO

“ I will always remember him fondly. I always enjoyed my classes with him. He was a wonderful educator from whom I learned more than just biology and taxonomy. I always enjoyed our visits. He will be missed.

Alan Branson, OD - May 12, 2015 at 12:00 AM

SH

“ Elaine & Linda: Too late I learned of your Dad's passing. Still I want to sign this Guestbook. I am thankful for all of the fond memories of the two of you, your Dad, Mom & Susie when living in Anna. My sympathies to you and your family. Kindest Regards, Sharon Bledsoe Humm

Sharon Bledsoe Humm - January 09, 2010 at 12:00 AM