

**Dale Dean Snodgrass, 87, passed away on July 2, 2009, at the Harry Hynes Memorial Hospice, St Francis Regional Medical Center, Wichita, Kansas, after suffering a massive stroke on June 19.**

**Dale was born in Ely, Kansas, on May 13, 1922, to Leslie R. and Lillie (Lefever) Snodgrass. The family moved to the Chanute, Kansas area when Dale was very small and, then, to Iola, Kansas, where he graduated from Iola High School in 1940. He worked at Cessna Aircraft in Wichita, until joining the Navy in 1943, participating in the Naval V-12 program at the University of Colorado, Boulder. After his discharge in June, 1946, Dale reunited with his high-school sweetheart, Louann Stoddard, and the two were married on November 3, 1946.**

**The young couple made their home in Iola, where Dale worked as inspection clerk at Lehigh Cement Company for three years, before moving to Monarch Cement Company in Humboldt. After 34 years with Monarch, Dale retired as Plant Engineer in 1986. While in Iola, Dale was very active in The First Christian Church, serving as deacon, elder and several terms as Chairman of the Board and other board positions. He served as president and secretary-treasurer of the Iola Shrine Club and was an enthusiastic member of the club's "Little Wheels" precision motorcycle team. He was a 65-year member of the Masons, Scottish Rite and Shrine, having recently received special recognition for these honors. At the time of his death, he was a member of Bella Vista Community Church, Bentonville/Bella Vista chapters of Rotary, Chamber of Commerce and Nomad Shrine Club, serving as this club's secretary-treasurer for the past 19 years.**

**After completing a required speech class at Allen County Community College and combining it and other credits earned during his Naval V-12 program attendance at the University of Colorado during WWII, Dale received his Associate's degree from ACCC in the mid-1960s, an accomplishment of which he was very proud. Dale also loved to design homes, turning this hobby into a second career having designed over 100 homes and untold numbers of room additions and remodels. The final results of these many and various design projects are located in Kansas, Arkansas, Missouri, Oklahoma, Texas and a ski home in Colorado.**

**Dale had a passionate interest in the Shrine Children's Hospitals and a special love for the children served by them. He spent many hours coordinating transportation to and from the hospitals for the children and their families and arranging accommodations during their stay.**

**He was an active member and officer of Bentonville-Bella Vista Rotary, having been named a Paul Harris Fellow by the organization. Dale also belonged to the Bentonville-Bella Vista Chamber of Commerce and worked diligently to recruit new members to the organization.**

**Dale was preceded in death by his parents, Leslie and Lillie, and a brother, Les, along with numerous aunts and uncles. Survivors include his wife, Louann; daughter Deanna Neuner and her husband Charles, Parkville, Missouri; son Larry Snodgrass and his wife JoEtta, Skiatook, Oklahoma; grandsons Geoff Deman, Lawrence, Kansas and Matthew Snodgrass, Skiatook, Oklahoma. He is also survived by his brother Max Snodgrass (Bernadene), Iola; a sister Vada Aikins, Humboldt, Kansas; brother-in-law Howard Stoddard (Velma), Wichita, Kansas; sister-in-law Winifred Cation, Wichita, Kansas; sister-in-law Ruth Baxter (Stuart), Omaha, Nebraska. Other survivors include step-granddaughters Vicki Verhoff (Mike) and Susan Popplewell (Tim) and five step-great-grandchildren, Ashlie, Adam and Alec Verhoff and Shelby and Jackson**

**Popplewell, along with many nieces and nephews and countless friends.**

**A visitation will be held at 1:00 p.m. on July 7, 2009, at Bella Vista Community Church, 75 E Lancashire Blvd, Bella Vista, AR 72714, followed by a memorial service at 2:00. Cremation will follow. A second memorial service will be held at First Christian Church, Iola, Kansas on Saturday, July 11 ~ visitation at 1:30 p.m. and service at 2:30 p.m. A burial service with the family will be held at Highland Cemetery.**