
He was born June 30, 1917, in Grinnell, the son of Agnes and Howard Sage. He graduated from Grinnell High School in 1936 and Grinnell College in 1940, then served in World War II as a lieutenant in the U.S. Navy and the U.S. Navy Reserve.

He was married to Loyal Elise Sage for 65 years. He worked as office manager for Colotym, Co., in Seattle, Wash., until his retirement in 1979. He is survived by a daughter, Susann Armstrong of Honolulu, Hawaii, and two sons, Kenneth R. Sage of Renton, Wash., and Gerald "Jerry" Sage of Oxnard, Calif.; and two grandsons. He was preceded in death by his wife Loyal Elise Sage in 2009.