Philip R. Yount passed away peacefully at his home on Tuesday, Nov. 11, 2014. He was 77 years old.

Phil was born Feb. 7, 1937, in Grinnell, to Fred and Katherine Yount and grew up in Hartwick. Phil grew up helping on the family farm and in school was active in drama and sports, particularly baseball, basketball, and football. Phil graduated as valedictorian from Brooklyn High School in 1955, attended Grinnell College for one year, and then Parsons College (in Fairfield, Iowa) from which he received a degree in business. He briefly taught math at Grinnell College, then joined Grinnell Mutual Reinsurance as a data processor, where he rose through the ranks, ultimately serving as president of the company.

In 1956, Phil married Mary White who had three children, Jo Pearson (Cedar Rapids), Mary Beth (Gerald) Mueller (Columbia, Mo.) and Douglas. In 1989, Phil married his wife Donna and they moved to Oregon in 1992 where he took a job as vice-president of Grange Mutual Insurance; he was promoted to president several years later, and retired from the company in 2004.

Phil was a devoted and active member of the Beaverton Nazarene Church, serving on the board, participating in multiple mission trips to the Ukraine, Chile and elsewhere, and donating countless hours to the church and its community.

Phil is survived by his wife, Donna Yount; his two daughters, Jo Pearson and Mary Beth Mueller; his three stepdaughters, Maile Solis, Gabriella Estrada and Ayala Lannon; his brother, Doug Duane; his 12 grandchildren, Philip, Emily, Lane, Madeline, Audry, Marcus, Brooklyn, Anastasia, Max, Hazel, Patrick and Charlie; and three great-grandchildren, Maggie, Hayden and Lila. He was preceded in death by his son, Doug Yount, his sister, Patricia Kies, and his parents, Katherine and Fred Yount.

Funeral services took place on Sunday, Nov. 16, 2014, at Beaverton Nazarene Church, 12555 SW 22nd St., Beaverton, Ore., 97008. In lieu of flowers, the family requests that donations be made in Phil’s memory to the Beaverton Nazarene Church for future distribution to charitable causes, or to a charitable cause of your choice.

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