

## MAYNARD HAGEMEYER PASSES AWAY at 98



Maynard Hagemeyer, a long time advocate, owner, driver, trainer and breeder passed away July 16, 2017 in the same room he was born in November 22, 1918.

Maynard was the son of Fred J. Hagemeyer and Bessie E. Bevan. He attended elementary school at Spring Hill (a one room schoolhouse) and graduated high school at Massie Township School in Harveysburg in 1936. He also attended the University of Cincinnati in Business Administration.

Maynard always loved horses, and in his youth showed Percheron and Belgian horses throughout the U. S. In 1940, he travelled through the Panama Canal transporting draft horses to Chile.

Maynard was drafted in the Army in 1941 and served almost 5 years during WWII, with 2 ½ years overseas. He attained the rank of Captain and commanded a company in the 23<sup>rd</sup> replacement battalion in North Africa and Italy. He served under General George Patton in North Africa and General Mark Clark in Italy. Maynard served on the Warren County Veterans Commission for 20 years.

He is more recently known as the founder of Hagemeyer Farms, a standardbred boarding, breeding, foal care and training center in Clarksville, Ohio. However, his proudest accomplishment was his family. In 2015, he celebrated his 70<sup>th</sup> anniversary with his wife Stella.

Before being shipped overseas, he was stationed at Camp Sutton N.C. where he first met Stella Adcox. Maynard and his friend were on a weekend leave in Charlotte, when they randomly picked a name out of the phone book. It turned out to be Stella's roommate. When Maynard saw the beautiful girl in the doorway, he said, "That is my gal", and she has been his "gal" ever since.

Maynard took over the family farm in 1948. In addition to farming, he owned and operated various business ventures: including an excavation business for 17 years, a feed mill in Clarksville for 5 years, an anhydrous ammonia & fertilizer business for 20 years, an egg business for 9 years (with 6000 laying hens), and a standardbred racing and breeding business that he started in 1957 and continues today.

In 1957, he traded two burrows, a pony and a hog feeder for a Standardbred Broodmare, Miss Win Dale. In his peak, the whole family was involved in training 60+ horses. Eventually, he focused on breeding with his first stud, Billy Jo Byrd. His last stud, Look Sharp, stood at Hagemeyer Farms for 25 years until

he passed at 31. Ironically, Look Sharp passed away July 17, 2014, nearly 3 years to the day before Maynard.

Maynard was very involved in promoting Harness Racing as a Director with the O.H.H.A. and the first president of the Harness Horse Youth Foundation. He also served as a Warren County Fair Board Director for 42 years.

Maynard was very active in county and state organizations. He was a member of the Clarksville Masonic Lodge since 1940, and a member of Scottish Rite and Shrine since 1946. He joined the Eastern Star in 1947 and served as Worthy Patron in 1952 and 1962. He was also a member of the Warren County School Board for 10 years.

Maynard was active in politics, serving as Republican Precinct Chairman for 30 years and Vice Chairman of the County Republican Party for a few years. He was a Township Trustee of Washington Township for 32 years. After the death of his father in 1948, Maynard completed the balance of his father's term as Warren County Commissioner. He also had the privilege of being selected as a delegate from Ohio to the 2000 National Republican Convention in Philadelphia for George W. Bush.

Maynard has been recognized many times over the years, including: The Pacer Grass Roots award in 1989, named a "Kentucky Colonel" at the age of 91, Masonic Lodge 75 year award in 2016, and the Harveysburg Alumni 80 year award in 2016.

He is survived by his wife, Stella, whom he married November 16, 1945 celebrating over 71 years of blissful marriage. Other survivors include children, Mel (Pam) Hagemeyer of Lebanon, Della Aylor of Trenton, FL, Fred (Debbie) Hagemeyer of Houston, TX, Ted (Pam) Hagemeyer of Ocala, FL; grandchildren Scott Hagemeyer, Tiffany Linville, Kyle Aylor, Ashlee Johnson, Captain Steven Hagemeyer, Cheryl Hanna, Nick Hagemeyer, and Shana Hagemeyer; great grandchildren Hunter Hagemeyer, Brandi Hanna, Riley Hanna, Lyndsay Hagemeyer, Carlee Johnson, Jenny-Lynn Johnson, Mayree Johnson, Isaac Linville, Evan Linville, and Owen Linville, as well as an endless number of life-long friends.

The family will receive friends from 3-6 pm Friday, July 21 at Stubbs-Conner funeral home, Waynesville, Ohio. A celebration of Maynard's life will be held at 6 pm at the funeral home. Condolences can be made at [www.stubbsconner.com](http://www.stubbsconner.com)