Joseph Stanley Bryant of Paris, Maine (89)

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Joseph Stanley Bryant, a long-time educator from Maine, died in his sleep last night. He was 89.

Bryant died at his home in Paris, Maine, on Tuesday. He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Evelyn (Brown) Bryant, and his two sons, Jerry and Eric.

Bryant was born August 20, 1931 in Buckfield, Maine. Never straying too far from home, Bryant lived in Maine his entire life.

He was a graduate of Oxford Hills High School in South Paris, ME. This is where he met and first fell in love with his future wife, Evelyn. From Oxford Hills, the future educator earned a bachelor's degree in English at Colby College in Waterville, ME.

Bryant lived a fulfilling life as an educator first as an English teacher at Caribou High School then a guidance counselor at Marshwood High School in South Berwick, Maine. He was the head of the guidance department at Marshwood before being the school's principal for 15 years.

In addition to education, Bryant served his country in the U.S. Navy going on a tour of duty with the Pacific fleet in 1956.

He is remembered by the Lions Club in South Paris, ME. His English studies at Colby College were funded by a scholarship from the Lions Club. Bryant would work with the Lions Club in his later years to ensure other students would have the same opportunity.

He loved golf.

The memorial service for Bryant will be held at St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Brunswick at 2:00 PM this Saturday. Flower donations may be made to the Lions Club.