



William Everett Sugnet

William Everett Sugnet of Bend, Ore. passed away on March 17, 2019 due to complications from COPD. He leaves his wife of nearly 60 years, Hete Sugnet, daughter Nicole Jabaley (Michael) of Annandale, Va., son Kent Sugnet (Susan) of Portland, Ore., son Jay Sugnet (Kathy) of Golden, Colo. and 10 grandchildren.

Born and raised in Buffalo, NY, Bill was a graduate of Kensington High School, Univ. of Buffalo, and Univ. of Buffalo School of Law. Before law school he enlisted in the Army and was sent to Germany, where he met his beautiful wife. Bill practiced law in Syracuse, NY for 35 years, specializing in defense trial work. He was a managing partner at Smith, Sovik, Kendrick & Sugnet, 1980 president of the Onondaga County Bar Association, and active with the Defense Research Institute.

Bill was a lifelong tennis player until COPD took the wind out of him. He loved hitting balls at Sedgwick Farm Tennis Club in Syracuse, then at the Athletic Club of Bend. After retiring in Bend, he worked with Volunteers in Medicine, delivered Meals on Wheels, took up woodworking, enjoyed outings with the High Desert Region Porsche Club, met weekly with his comrades of the Oval Table, traveled, and spent as much time as possible with his grandchildren. A gifted conversationalist, he always found time for a drink with friends and family, along with a snacks, of course, and gracious philosophical rumination.