

## BUCK & RUBY WILLIAMS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



James M. 'Buck' Williams

May 21, 1918 - March 5, 2005

Buck was born in Platteville, Colorado on May 21, 1918, and all his schooling was in that state. After graduating from Collins High School where he played basketball, track and softball, he then attended Colorado State University. He left school for a job in Klamath Falls, Oregon in the automatic coin machine music business. While in Klamath Falls, Buck met and married Ruby Brisco, to whom he was married for 62 years, until she passed away July 21, 2002. They moved to Marshfield in 1940 where he went to work for Embaco Music Company, which later became Sunset Automatic Music Company, until his retirement in 1982.

During World War II, Buck joined the U.S. Air Force and was stationed overseas as a pilot on a B-29 Super Fortress flying missions from the Mariana Islands to Japan. After the war he returned home to Coos Bay and continued working for Sunset Music Company.

Ruby and Buck raised three sons, Jim, Jerry and Randy who all graduated from Marshfield High School and Oregon State University.

Buck and Ruby have been fans and supporters of Marshfield High School athletics and activities for over 50 years. Buck was past president of the Quarterback Club, which is now MHS Booster Club. Widely recognized as one of Marshfield's biggest fans, Williams has been a member of the Marshfield Booster Club for more than 50 years. He was a past president of the Marshfield Quarterback Club (the previous name for the Booster Club) and a golf tournament fund-raiser in his name is held every fall.