In Memory

R. Scott Brundage, 84, of Columbia passed away on Saturday, August 8, 2020, at The Bluffs. Scott was born on May 24, 1936, in Lafayette, Indiana, to Roy Charles and Ellen (Munro) Brundage. He married Virginia Goben Brundage on June 4, 1960, in West Lafayette, Indiana, and she survives him.

Scott grew up in West Lafayette, Indiana, and graduated from West Lafayette High School. He received his Master of Science in Forestry degree from Purdue University.

Scott was employed in 1960 by the State of Missouri in conducting a forest survey, later was employed as a Farm Forester for the State of Ohio. The majority of his career Scott worked as a reclamation specialist for Peabody Coal Company where he supervised coal mined land reclamation west of the Mississippi River. He later worked as a consulting forester. Scott was a founding member of the Missouri Consulting Foresters Association serving as vice president and then president for many years. He was a board member and former president of the Walnut Council International, an organization formed to promote the growth of black walnut and other fine hardwoods, and served on numerous forestry associated advisory boards.

Forestry was his passion as well as his profession. Scott and Ginny owned several tree farms where he spent many hours performing tree stand improvement to improve the forests for generations to come. Many of the farms were recognized in the Tree Farm program which Scott promoted every chance he had.

His work ethic was surpassed by none.

An avid hunter, Scott was founding father and past president of the Missouri Big Bucks Club and served as its president for many years. He passed his hunting heritage on to his children and grandchildren.

Scott purchased a tract of mined land in Boone County on which he spent countless days reclaiming and enhancing. He and his family operated a Choose and Cut Christmas Tree Farm at this location for several years. He and his family spent many happy days at this property.

Scott is survived by his wife of 60 years, Ginny, two sons, Robert J. Brundage (Denise Welch) of Jefferson City; Thomas Munro Brundage (Erika Akers) of Columbia; brother John Marshall Brundage (Suzi); sister Ann Munro Carley; grandchildren, Taylor Goben Brundage, Tommi Munro Brundage, Tanner Alan Brundage, Darby Nicole Brundage, Bo Munro Brundage, Sydney Rae Akers, Sophia Lacy Akers, and Owen Thomas Akers.

Memorials in his honor may be made to The Walnut Council Foundation, 1007 North 725 West, West Lafayette IN 47906-9431 or to the organization/charity of your choice. Condolences may be left online for the family at www.ParkerMillard.com