



## Col. Edward Sibilsky

July 14, 2008

Col. Edward Louis Sibilsky, Sr., 91, died on July 12, 2008, at his residence in Honolulu, Hawaii surrounded by his children and laughing at a good joke. Funeral services were held July 16, 2008 , in Punchbowl National Memorial Cemetery, Honolulu, Hawaii, with full military honors. He was buried next to his wife, Ethlyn Baston Sibilsky.

Born in Laurium, Michigan, on January 7, 1917, to Louis R. And Elizabeth Gries Sibilsky, he attended Michigan Tech University Upon his graduation from college in 1937, he moved to Milledgeville, GA to assume a position of lab technician at Allen's Invalid Home. Shortly after arriving in Milledgeville, he met Ethlyn Baston, whom he married in December, 1938. In 1940, along with most of his friends, he joined the United States Army and entered World War II. He was injured near the end of the war and was brought to Oliver General Hospital in Augusta, GA. After being discharged from the Army, he entered University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, where he earned a Master's Degree in Educational Administration. He and his family returned to Milledgeville, Ga, where he became Dean of Georgia Military College and Principal of the High School. He also served as Assistant Principal of Baldwin High School. He ended his military career as Director of the Intelligence School at Ft. Bragg, NC. Ed and Ethlyn moved to Hawaii after his retirement.

He is survived by a son, E.L. "Bo" Sibilsky, Jr. Of Milledgeville, two daughters,

Lyn Sibilsky Sweet of Charlotte, NC, and Julie Ann Sibilsky of Harlem, GA, eleven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren. A great lover of cards, cribbage, friends and his family, and especially a good cup of coffee (which Hawaii is famous for producing), in lieu of flowers Ed would love for you to contact a friend or old classmate, share a cup of coffee and tell a funny Col. Sibilsky story. A memorial service will be held at 11 AM on Nov. 1 at First Presbyterian Church, Milledgeville, GA. For those wishing to make a contribution, a memorial fund has been established in memory of Ed and Ethlyn Sibilsky at First Presbyterian Church, Milledgeville, GA.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Just a wonderful human being and a great teacher. I've thought of him often over the years. God bless him and his family.*##imported-begin##Dick Ulm##imported-end##

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October 27, 2008 at 09:19 AM



“ *What a great man and teacher. I always felt he was our friend and relished in the success of his students. I was very fond of him and mourn his passing*##imported-begin##Stuart Padove##imported-end##

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October 26, 2008 at 06:11 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers go out to the family of Mr. Sibilsky. He was a great and tireless instructor who worked diligently to teach me Geometry! I appreciated that he not only supported his students in the classroom, but also was there for us in our athletic endeavors. One memory I have is him standing at the guard rail above the floor of our sunken gymnasium watching me play basketball one night back in 1967. I played post and really did not attempt many fast breaks past my opponents from outside the key. But this one night, I finally faked and blew past a girl to make the shot. I happened to look up and there he was with his fist in the air saying YES and giving me the biggest "thata girl" grin! Evidently he had been waiting for me to finally get the guts up and go for it! He really lifted my spirits that night and gave me such confidence at that moment as if to say, "see, I knew you could do it"! I know in my heart that I am not the only student or athlete or person that was inspired by him. He always took such an interest in his students and genuinely cared that they did their best in all endeavors!###imported-begin##Ginger Grimes Willson###imported-end##

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October 26, 2008 at 03:06 AM



“ Thinking of each of you with love and sympathy. I always enjoy Col. Sibilsky as a family friend and high school math teacher. Col. Sibilsky was a master teacher, a scholar, officer and a gentleman. He was a contributing member of the Greatest Generation; We will not see his likeness again.###imported-begin##MARION GAY ROBINSON###imported-end##

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August 16, 2008 at 03:29 PM



“ *What a joy it was always to see and chat with Ed. His love of life was always evident, and his enjoyment of friends was seen by the twinkle in his eye and the lilt in his voice as he talked. We always left his presence feeling blessed. We express our condolences to each family, knowing that you will miss him terribly but confident that you rejoice in the memories of a wonderful father.##imported-begin##Linda and Marion Pennington##imported-end##*

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July 24, 2008 at 10:32 AM



“ *We loved both Ed and Ethlyn. My heart soars knowing that they are now together again. Aloha! Ed. Aloha! Ethlyn. May you love in heaven as you loved on this earth...completely.##imported-begin##Mary and Jim Purcell##imported-end##*

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July 23, 2008 at 06:39 PM



“ *To the Sibilsky family: Col. Sibilsky will be missed by many who attended BHS. I have thought of him many times over the years since leaving BHS. As many have said, he was a true gentleman. Please accept my deepest sympathy for the lost. My thoughts and prayers are with the family during this difficult time. BHS 1965##imported-begin##Ron "Ronnie" Kirkpatrick##imported-end##*

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July 22, 2008 at 11:59 PM



“ *To the Sibilsky family: Mr. Sibilsky was such an inspiration to me at BHS. Although many years have passed of my seeing him, his humor and kindness will always be remembered. My life has been enriched by knowing him. God Bless each of you.##imported-begin##Leigh Thompson Mitchell##imported-end##*

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July 22, 2008 at 12:13 PM



“ WE WERE SAD TO HEAR OF MR. "BILSKY'S " PASSING. WE WILL KEEP YOU IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS.

WALTER & LILY##imported-begin##WALTER & LILY GRIMES##imported-end##

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July 22, 2008 at 10:30 AM



“ Col. Sibilsky was truly an officer and a gentleman. A simple statement he made to me some 45 years ago has always guided me in some very trying situations. "Remember no matter what others do, you must always be an officer and gentleman." BHS 1963.##imported-begin##Harold Clack##imported-end##

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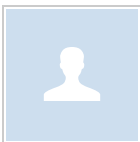
July 22, 2008 at 09:46 AM



“ Extending my thoughts and prayers to you and your family.##imported-begin##Jeane Easom##imported-end##

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July 22, 2008 at 09:40 AM



“ Mr.Ed-Kumu,A hui hou kakou,Mahalo,Diane "Kiane" Prosser##imported-begin##DIANE PROSSER##imported-end##

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July 17, 2008 at 01:24 PM



“ When one's Flag is folded and his work done what greater tribute can be offered than to say "He Was a Good Man." He served his nation with honor. He served his state and community with dedication. His was a dignity born of an era when Officers were true gentlemen. When one of his character leaves, a pause to remember and a salute for a final time is a worthy tribute. May we recall Mr. Sibilsky with fond memory for his service and life.##imported-begin##Dr. Thomas Peavy##imported-end##

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July 16, 2008 at 01:37 PM



“ WE were so sorry to hear of the loss of Col Sibilsky. He has been a long time friend and we thought much of he and Mrs. Sibilsky. He always seemed so positive and was a joy to know. He will be missed.##imported-begin##Bruce & Janice Dempster##imported-end##

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July 16, 2008 at 10:21 AM



“ Mr. Ed was a fine individual and teacher and had a great relationship with his students. He was one of the good ones. We both have fond memories at BHS involving Mr. Sibilsky. Our sympathy goes out to the family and friends of Mr. Sibilsky. We've lost a good one.##imported-begin##Gail & Andy Thomason##imported-end##

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July 16, 2008 at 09:41 AM



“ Mr. Siblisky was one of my favorite teachers and a fine man. My deepest sympathy goes out to his family.##imported-begin##David Pettigrew##imported-end##

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July 16, 2008 at 09:13 AM



“ *Mr. Sibilsky was an inspiration to all of his students at BHS. He brought out the best in everyone whose life he touched. Thanks for sharing your wonderful father with the rest of us at BHS and at the 1st Presbyterian Church.*##imported-begin##*Debra C. Watts*##imported-end##

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July 16, 2008 at 08:37 AM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Mr. Ed was a fine gentleman and educator. He will be missed.*##imported-begin##*Judy and Steve Ivey*##imported-end##

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July 15, 2008 at 10:27 AM



“ *My sincerest sympathy to you all.*##imported-begin##*Ellen Layfield Paulish*##imported-end##

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July 15, 2008 at 08:14 AM



“ *My thoughts and prayers are with the Sibilsky family. I was a student of Mr. Sibilsky in high school and a friend and neighbor until they moved away. He was such a kind man, he will be missed.*##imported-begin##*Linda Sanford Liester*##imported-end##

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July 14, 2008 at 06:49 PM