Wayne McKy: 1933 - 2009

Personal Age 76, Oregon born native, Wayne was born in Grants Pass July 23, 1933, lived two years in Sunny Valley, and then 74 years in the town of Hugo, Oregon. Wayne McKy and Janet Sutton married in 1967. They have been married 42 years and have two sons: Jeff and Jack.

<u>Favorite Book</u> The Bible and any book on Josephine County history.

Favorite Hobbies Farming, history, and land use.

What would you do if you won \$10 million in the lottery? Secure my children's future, donate to charity, buy property, and build Janet a new house.

What is the most important thing you learned as a <u>child?</u> To be honest, truthful, kind, and how to prepare for hard times.

<u>Proudest Achievements</u> Being involved in our community, in land use issues, and helping to preserve our resource lands, being a volunteer fireman for 40 years, and being a director of the Soil and Water Conservation District.

<u>Favorite thing</u> about Hugo Being born and raised here; it is home. I like the four seasons.

What changes would you like to see in the Rogue Valley? Reopen all our smaller schools because it brings the community together. The people knew their neighbors and cared about each other.

Professional Pro Bono Land Use Activist

Education

- Diploma Hugo Elementary School: 1947.
- Diploma Grants Pass High School: 1951.

Professional

- 1951 19??. Soldier, Oregon National Guard.
- 1951 1955. Hugo Section Gang, Southern Pacific Railroad; Hugo Assistant Section Foreman.
- 1955 1980. Logger, Perien and Goff Logging (e.g., choker setter, faller, log bucker, loader, cat driver, etc.).
- 1969 Present. Volunteer Fireman, Grants Pass Rural Fire Department.
- 1980 Present. Independent Farmer, custom farm work in Hugo, Oregon.

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Wayne's Land Use Philosophy

Land Use Activist: 1976? - Present

Wayne believes in protecting resource land, especially farm and forest lands, but in he did not necessarily believe in Oregon's new land use planning system that started in 1973 with Senate Bill 100. At the time he thought it just meant more government regulations.

His development into a land use activist started in 1976 when he saw first hand the destruction of the Hugo Maplebrook Orchard (cherries and walnuts) as it was subdivided into a subdivision. This land had a significant local history as it was one of the first cash entry purchases by Pioneer David Sexton in 1865, with Hugo's namesake (Hugo Garbers) owning the ground by 1895, and Peter Prizer developing the Maplebrook Orchard ca., 1920s.

Over the years Wayne would champion the preservation of resource lands by providing local land use testimony before the Josephine County Planning Commission and the Josephine County Board of County Commissioners, and when absolutely necessary by providing testimony to the Oregon Land Use Board of Appeals.

- Member, Hugo Neighborhood Association & Hugo Citizen Advisory Committee: 1976? 1999.
- Chair, Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (HNA&HS): 1999 Present
- Director, Josephine Soil & Water Conservation District: 19?? - Present.
- Hugo Land Use Committee Member, HNA&HS: 2002 Present.

Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (Hugo Neighborhood). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decisionmaking. The Hugo Neighborhood is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

Land Use & History

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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The Hugo Neighborhood's land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

Jugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society Hugo Land Use Committee

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Wayne McKy's **Land Use** Autobiography



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Janet & Wayne McKy In Front Of First MacKenzie Store 2007

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