Harry Hubbard, 78, a former board member of the Lewis and Clark Trail Heritage Foundation and the founding president of the National Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council, died peacefully in his sleep on July 26, 1998.

Born in Olympia, Washington, he graduated from the University of Washington and was a naval officer in the Pacific Fleet during World War II. The founder of Daedalus Press in Seattle, he retired as manager of the business forms department of Unisys. He led an active life of community service including church, scouting, Queen Anne Community Council, Seattle 2000 Commission and several environmental organizations. He was a member of Occidental Lodge 72, NW Rhododendron Species Foundation and the Washington Nature Conservancy.

He is survived by his wife Ruth; sons Kendall (Ginny Green) Hubbard of Whidbey Island and Brian (Linda) Hubbard of Richmond, California; daughter Penny (Mike) Ewing-Hubbard of Quilcene, WA; grandchildren Kira, Katina, Jed and Raina.

Memorials may be made to The National Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council, 1101 Officers Row, Vancouver, WA 98661, or your favorite conservation organization.

The following is from Kendall Hubbard, Harry’s oldest son.

As many of you know, Harry has been in a frail condition for the past year from his bone cancer. While working at the family’s land on the Olympic Peninsula, he fell and sustained an injury that required stitches and hospitalization to control blood loss from his low platelet count. During hospitalization, Harry had a heart attack and left his body two days later. Interestingly, Harry had recently shared with my sister, Penny, a wish to pass on from a heart attack instead of facing the increasing pain from cancer.

With his pain control well managed these past many months, it has been a blessing that Harry was well enough to carry on with many of his projects. Among them, he planted his small
garden of vegetables and flowers and traveled to his grandson's tenth birthday. Though received in absentia, he was greatly moved by the recognition and good wishes received from The National Lewis & Clark Bicentennial Council and the Trail Heritage Foundation.

Harry was still going non-stop in July when his family gathered for our annual summer get together.

What a great sense of timing he had that we were all here to be at his side.

If you wish to communicate with his family, the mailing address is: 1416 11th West, Seattle, WA 98119.

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(Hubbard was a Director of the Foundation, 1993-1996.)

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