



# Dwane Emerson Helbig

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## **Dwane Emerson Helbig**

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**D**wane at 79 Passed away peacefully in Bend, Oregon on Sunday June 10th, 2012. Dwane was born on September 21, 1932 in Denver, Colorado to Emerson and Thelma Helbig. His Family moved to Portland where he attended Roosevelt High School. Duane was an All P.I.L. selection in Football and Baseball and helped lead the Roughriders to two State Baseball Titles. Dwane went on to Oregon State College where he also played Football and Baseball. He played left field on the 1952 Beaver baseball team that went to Omaha for the College World Series. He was selected as Oregon States First Baseball All-American. Dwane signed a Pro Baseball Contract with the Portland Beavers after the 1952 season and spent four years playing minor league baseball in the Northwest League. After his baseball career ended Dwane became a Teacher at Corbett High School, and then moved to the New Clackamas High School where he taught Math, Science and Drivers Education. He was also the Varsity Baseball Coach and assisted in the Football Program. He retired to Fall River near Bend, Oregon in 1989. Dwane is survived by his wife Donna, his children, Doug, Kari Johnston, and Mark; He had ten grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.



## Tribute Wall

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JC

**Jon Cottrell** posted:

Dwane was teaching Physical Science when I started teaching Biology at Clackamas High School in 1971. The Science Department was a close knit group. Ken Haack and Pat Smith were my mentors in the Biology department next door. All three played college ball and were coaches. We had great discussions during our 30 min lunches. During my career I also was assigned to teach Physical Science in his room. He was very helpful to someone that had never taught Physical Science. He was great to work and had a great rapport with students and staff. We miss him.

February 5 at 5:47 AM

T4

**Ted Isaacs - July 01, 2012 At 10:40 Am** posted:

I played for coach Helbig 1960 through 1964 at Clackamas High School. He taught me many things about baseball and much about life. Coach left me with two nicknames that have followed me for the last 52 years. Coach Helbig used my given name rarely but referred to me as either "stump" or "sandtrotter". Both of these "handles" are bulls eye accurate descriptions being that I am 5' 6" tall and of Syrian decent. The "sandtrotter" brand began after my freshman season when Coach Helbig introduced me as sandtrotter at the awards assembly. When later asked what the name meant coach Helbig replied that a sandtrotter was a guy that was so short that when he farted he blew sand all over his shoes! Coach rarely used my given name. He preferred to call me stump....which he did. If and when he would use my name it was my last name, Isaacs. When he did though, he never said Isaacs. He included two more words. He would scream "Isaacs, you idiot". Coach Helbig had a definite impact on who I am and without a doubt lives of many of the kids he coached at Clackamas. I appreciated him as a coach and respect the man he was. He truly made a difference. Sincerely, Ted Isaacs Class of 64

February 15 at 5:00 PM

FF

**Friends And Family** posted:

Friends and Family uploaded 1 to the gallery.

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