



Alton G. Tallmadge

June 10, 2013

Alton G. "Al" Tallmadge, 101 of Camillus passed away peacefully at Van Duyn on June 10th, 2013. Born in Preble he graduated from Homer Academy, Syracuse University in 1936 where he played JV and Varsity Lacrosse where Roy Simmons, Sr. is quoted as saying "you are either damn good or damn lucky" and attended night school to earn his Masters in 1940.

Al worked at Split Rock School from 1936-40 where he met his wife Dorothy Park who was a teacher at Split Rock. He became an Administrator in 1940 at Solvay School district where he worked for 15 years and coached basketball for 11 years with a 93% winning record and 10 of 11 Division Championships. In 1955 he became Vice Principal of West Genesee High School and later Principal.

His dream was to start the first lacrosse team in CNY which he did at WG with used equipment donated by SU and Roy Simmons, Sr. Al retired in 1970 and is a life member of Onondaga County Retired Teachers' Assoc. He was a 32nd degree Mason and was a member of Tigris Temple Shrine and Crossroads Lodge # 520 for 69 years.

Al and Dorothy had spent winters in New Smyrna Beach, Fl and summers in the house they built in the Adirondack Mountains. He was predeceased by his daughter Joan Fletcher in 1994 and his wife of 65 years Dorothy in 2005.

Survived by his daughter Linda Tallmadge of Marcellus; a son-in-law Ronald Fletcher of Marcellus; five grandchildren and nine great grandchildren.

Calling hours will be Thursday 12:30 to 2:00 pm at B.L. Bush & Sons, 10 Genesee St., village of Camillus. Services will be private. Burial will be in Greenlawn Cemetery, Warners.

Contributions may be made to the Solvay United Methodist Church, 206 Center Street, Solvay, NY 13209.

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GC

“ To the family of Mr. Tallmadge, My Dad, Ed Cole worked for Mr. Tallmadge when he first started teaching at West Genesee in 1958. He always spoke very highly of him. My sincere condolences to you.

George Cole - July 03, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ As Principal of West Genesee, when I was a student in 1961, he was firm, fair, friendly and listened to new thoughts and ideas that were presented. My sympathy to his family for their loss. He will be remembered.

Charlene Atkinson (Vertrees) - June 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I have good memories of Mr. Tallmadge, glad he lived a long time-I graduated back in 1968, he was always fair towards his students and encouraging.

Karen Banasik - June 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ imagine my surprise when i found my highschool principle had become my patient. i was the night nurse on mr tallmades floor @ van duyn. i would sit and talk to him when he was having a restless night we had the best time talking about people, places and events back in the 60's & 70's and about the current status of the lacrosse team, what a delightful man i am so glad i had that time with him i will treasure it always.

kate ingersoll - June 17, 2013 at 12:00 AM

PC

“ Dear Linda, My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time of losing your dear father. May God give you comfort and peace in knowing that he lived a long and fruitful life.

Paul Campanella - June 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

KP

“ Mr. Tallmadge lived a long and fruitful life and will definitely be missed. I will remember him as a tough, but fair, principal and wish we had more like him today. Rest in peace, Mr. Tallmadge, as you've certainly earned it.

Karen Perrone - June 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

VI

“ Linda, Cecile and I send our thoughts and condolences, to you and your family during this difficult time. Cecile and Victor Ianno

Victor Ianno - June 13, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“ There was not a better school or principal in the '60s. Attending West Genesee was excellent preparation for further education and life in general. How wonderful to have had such a long, valuable life! Thank you for sharing it with me and thousands of other students, Mr. Tallmadge.

Deborah Markert (Dye) - June 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ Mr. Tallmadge, May You rest in Peace, It was a real honor to have you Principle through my years at West Genesee High School! You lived a good long life, I will always remember our talks in your office. God Bless You sir!

John Garofalo - June 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

LR

“ Dear Linda, I received the obit today from Joan's friend in Syracuse. It is a sad day for me. Your Dad was one of the most wonderful men I have ever had as a friend. He was so great to Art and I through all the years of our friendship. There are many local residents who still ask for Al and they will be saddened by this news. Please know that you and all your wonderful family are in my prayers. Love, Lil

Lillian Richardson - June 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with your family at this time. Your dad and father-in-law really lived a long and wonderful life. The Lathrop family of Marcellus

Mary Jane Domurat - June 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

CD

“ My prayers are with you.

Cathy Darby - June 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Fond memories of the great guy. He has gone, but his memory will not. Class of 67

Mickey Bianchi-Beecher - June 12, 2013 at 12:00 AM