



# Archery Icon



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## ARCHERY LOSES ANOTHER SUPERSTAR

**L**ongtime Archery enthusiast, Dr. Charles E. 'Bert' Grayson, a retired physician and member of the Archery Hall of Fame and Museum, Class of 2005, passed away May 17 due to complications from a fall. He was born July 24, 1910 in Worth Township, Iowa, the second youngest of nine children.

**W**hile Bert was still young, the family moved to Riverside, Calif., where he was exposed to his lifelong love of the sport of archery through his Boy Scout Master Dr. Paul Simonds and many of Dr. Simonds' friends.

His interest began when he won a lemonwood bow from his scout troop by selling the most tickets to the Art Young bow hunters film, "Alaskan Adventures." Later his work with the Boy Scouts included a donation of the Charles E. Grayson Memorial land tract for archery and camping to the Tall Corn Council near Boone, Iowa.

**B**ert attended Pomona College in Claremont, California, where he and his roommate formally introduced archery, which was soon accepted as part of the college's curriculum. In college he was also a competent wrestler, and football player. He later coached wrestling for the college.

After graduation he received a teaching fellowship in physics which he pursued for a year and then attended the graduate school of physics at the University of California, Berkeley, working toward a masters degree. He later changed his goal from engineering to medicine.

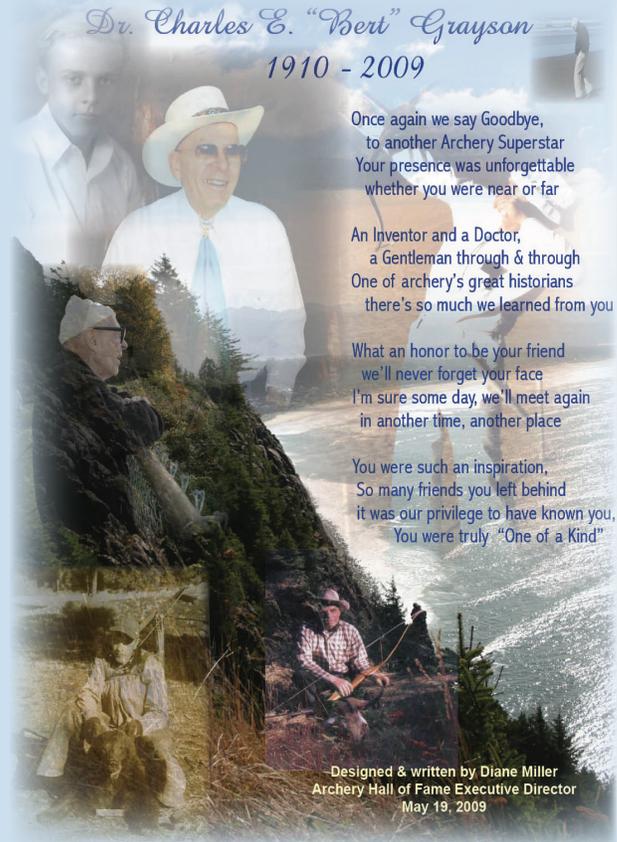
Bert entered Stanford Medical School in 1936, where he graduated and interned at the Stanford Lane Hospital in San Francisco and received his medical license in 1942. During World War II he served briefly in the military as a physician. After the war, he was an instructor at Stanford Medical School, later going into private practice in Sacramento, Calif.

In 1938 Bert married Adda Barr in Boone County, Iowa, and returned to live in Palo Alto, Calif. They retired in 1972 and moved to Clatskanie, Oregon, where they ran their 300-acre cattle ranch. He also built an archery museum on their land and put his collection of artifacts on display. He was known as a meticulous craftsman and artist.

Eventually his archery collection was donated to the University of Missouri's Museum of Anthropology, where it continues to be on display and is available for study by students and the general public. He also has a display at the Archery Hall of Fame Museum in Springfield, Missouri. In addition to collecting, Bert competed in both flight and target shooting, holding many records. Professionally as a physician, Bert traveled in an administrative capacity, which contributed to his collecting bows and archery tackle from many parts of the world. He was an avid hunter and sought many numerous game animals in the United States, Alaska, Canada, Mexico and Africa. He also loved photography and in later life enjoyed shooting animals with a camera.

His latest trips were to Hong Kong and Australia for speaking engagements. Bert also

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*Dr. Charles E. "Bert" Grayson  
1910 - 2009*

Once again we say Goodbye,  
to another Archery Superstar  
Your presence was unforgettable  
whether you were near or far

An Inventor and a Doctor,  
a Gentleman through & through  
One of archery's great historians  
there's so much we learned from you

What an honor to be your friend  
we'll never forget your face  
I'm sure some day, we'll meet again  
in another time, another place

You were such an inspiration,  
So many friends you left behind  
it was our privilege to have known you,  
You were truly "One of a Kind"

Designed & written by Diane Miller  
Archery Hall of Fame Executive Director  
May 19, 2009



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*From The President*



*By Dick Lattimer*

As we move forward in 2009, I'm sure everyone is anxiously waiting the completion of the Archery Hall's permanent home in Springfield, Missouri.

Plans are moving forward on the construction and both the Hall, along with Johnny Morris as well as the Bass Pro Team, are looking forward to the grand opening.

Diane Miller and Marilyn Bentz recently journeyed to Missouri and were very excited with what they saw. Completion date is scheduled for the fall of 2010.

All great things take time and I am sure this will be one thing that is well worth waiting for.

May all your arrows fly true.....

*Dick*



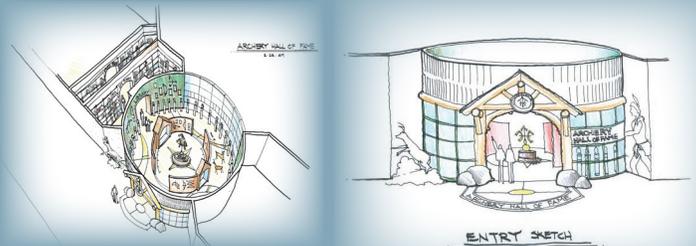
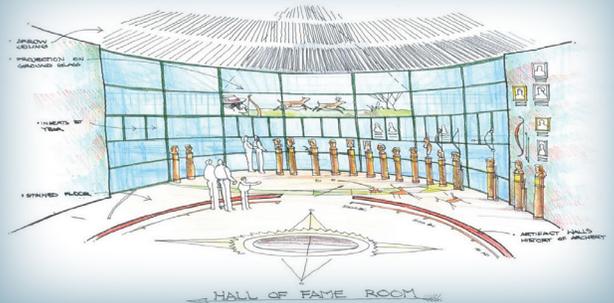
Jerry Martin, Marilyn Bentz, Johnny Morris, Rob Keck, Diane Miller, Mark McDonald, Peggy Smith and architect, Tom Jowett



**New Face Lift for Archery Hall of Fame Office**



**DRAWINGS OF THE PROPOSED PERMANENT ARCHERY HALL OF FAME MUSEUM**



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made contributions anonymously to other collectors over the years. His book, "Traditional Archery From Six Continents: The Charles E. Grayson Collection," was published in 2007.

At age 91, with the help of a close and dear friend, Dave Brown, he mastered the technology of the computer, Internet, e-mail, and photography. He still was writing articles for Traditional Bowhunter Magazine.

Until his passing, Bert's mind was as sharp as a tack and stored with information and knowledge. He enjoyed sharing this with everyone he came in contact with.

Bert will be remembered by his family and friends around the world as an individual who preserved treasures of the past, which would have otherwise been lost or forgotten.



Lost Legends  
Dr. Grayson, & Ann Hoyt

## Dr. Charles Grayson, A Special Friend

By Diane Miller

I first met Dr. Charles "Bert" Grayson in 2006 in Springfield, Missouri, at the Archery Hall of Fame's 23th induction ceremony. It was my first experience being involved as Executive Director for the Hall. Bert was being inducted that year. He was so humble and appreciative, and delighted to be able to join those that came before him. He had brought his entourage with him and he was dressed in a black tuxedo, very debonair for a man of 95. I recall he suggested he walk from the motel to the museum. It was over a mile and I convinced him that might be a little far, especially with it being as hot as it was that day.

One of the things I remember most during his speech was when he talked about his many hunting trips. He spoke about one of his last



hunts, He said, " I saw one of the biggest trophies I had ever seen. It was then that I decided to pick up my camera instead of my bow." As he told the story a tear came to his eye. It was then that I knew "Bert" was going to become one of my favorite people.

Over the next couple of years we talked on the phone quite often and I learned a lot about his past experiences in medicine and archery.

The last time I saw "Bert" was in October of last year. He had some archery memorabilia he wanted the museum to have so I flew out to Portland to see what he had in mind. I rented a car and drove over to his place in Clatskanie. He said he wanted to show me the sights around Oregon and he did a great job being a tour guide.

As we drove down the coast of he spoke about different stories and experiences he had throughout his lifetime. Along the way we stopped to visit a fish hatchery where he showed me the large salmon that were raised in that part of the country, Next stop was an ice cream and cheese factory, (he insisted we have an ice cream cone), then we stopped by a tuna factory. Here we purchased a case of white albacore tuna, (he mentioned it was the best), and I have to admit he was right. As we approached one of the many beaches along the coast he suggested we drive down on the beach and look for clams. He showed me how to stomp the sand so the clams would come out of the ground. I was so amazed at his youthfulness at the age of 98. I felt old trying to keep up. He continued to amaze me. He then wanted to show me the ranch & land he used to own and we later stopped at a very nice restaurant to eat while watching people walk up and down the beach.

After a very full day we went to his house where he began to show me his prized collection of archery artifacts and his many files that he had accumulated over the years. He was very proficient on the computer and we looked at some of the many stories he had written. One thing he was very proud of and wanted the Hall of Fame to have when it was completed was the book of his life from a little to boy to the present. I was thrilled to think that for years to come people that visit our museum will have the chance to share this also.

Driving back to the motel I realized what a special trip this had been and how privileged I was to have been invited to spend a couple of days with such an extraordinary man. In the morning we went to his favorite restaurant for breakfast and he introduced me to all this friends. Once again I was in awe of how his presence affected those around him. As I left to head off to the airport, he said he was so lucky to have so many wonderful friends. He thanked me for taking the time to come and visit. I am so glad I did, I was the lucky one.

## A Special Thank from our friends Down Under

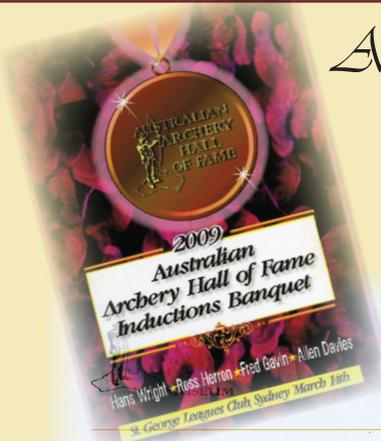
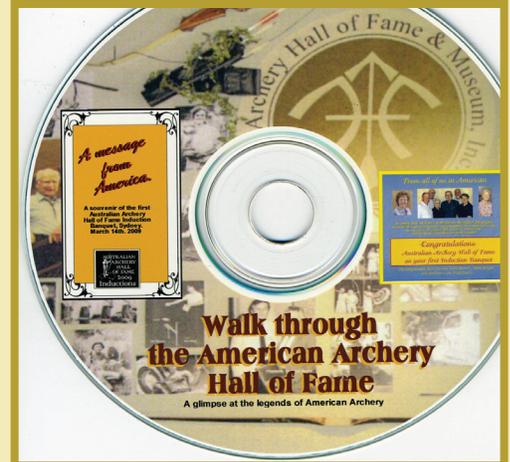
The AHOF office recently received a package from the Australian Archery Hall of Fame with contents of materials they displayed at their 2009 Induction in March. Even though we were not able to attend, our presence was evident.

Throughout the ceremony a video of our museum was shown as well as a copy given to each attendee.

## Thank You Appreciation Award

*The Board of Directors of the Australian Archery Hall of Fame & Museum Inc. present this award to Diane Miller as an expression of our gratitude, thanks and appreciation for your contribution to the inaugural 2009 Induction Banquet. Without your valuable input the occasion would not have been the success it was. Thank you for your support to us and Archery in Australia.*

Dawne Clark, Executive Director  
Australian Archery Hall of Fame & Museum  
Dated 20th, March 2009



# Remembering The Class of 1977

## Dr. C. N. Hickman

Contributor to the Sport, Influence on the Sport  
*The Father of Scientific Archery*

- Responsible, for independent research and work with colleague Dr. Paul Klopsteg, for studying the ballistics of bows and arrows and establishing and proving the principals of modern bow design



- Produced first film of "The Archer's Paradox" - showed arrow leaving the bow in slow motion, 1937
- A leader in the development of the bazooka and high velocity aircraft rockets. Worked closely with Dr. Robert H. Goddard, rocket pioneer, for whom the Goddard Space Flight Center is named.
- Recipient, U.S. Medal of Merit from President Harry Truman for his rocketry

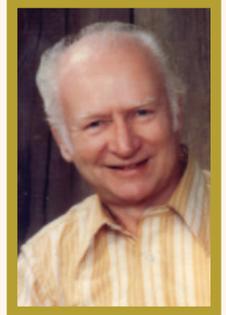
developments during WW II, 1948

- Designed and constructed the first portable chronograph (the Hickman Spark Chronograph) to measure the velocity and acceleration of arrows of different weights shot from bows of different designs
- Recipient, National Archery Association's Thompson Medal of Honor, 1950
- Author of 47 publications on technical and historical aspects of archery
- The World Archery Center (TWAC) Dean Emeritus,
- Donated to The Archery Hall of Fame and Museum from his own considerable archery collection and Geronimo bow and arrows made by Geronimo during his confinement in Florida, circa 1886-1888
- Over 50 years of service to archery

## Earl Hoyt, Jr.

Bowhunter, Competitor, Contributor to the Sport  
Influence on the Sport

- Outstanding competitor and one of only three archers to have shot in 25 of National Archery Association's Nationals
- Responsible for a number of significant, patented archery design innovations, including equal-length bow limbs, pistol grip bow handles and bow stabilizers
- Considered one of world's foremost master bowyers; his bows have won many Olympic medals
- Recipient, National Archery Association's Thompson Medal of Honor, 1977
- Over 65 years service to archery



## Myrtle Miller

(Coach, Competitor, Contributor to the Sport, Educator)



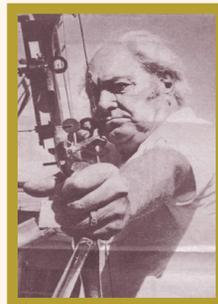
- Director, The World Archery Center (TWAC), 1937-1992
- Responsible for the sport's position in the field of Physical Education
- Recipient, National Archery Association's Thompson Medal of Honor, 1996
- 59 years service to archery

# Remembering The Class of 1978

## Roy Hoff

(Bowhunter, Competitor)

- Extensively involved in the formation of the National Field Archery Association
- Publisher/Editor, Archery Magazine and California Bowman Review
- Bowhunter and tournament competitor
- 40 years service to archery



## Ann Marston

(Competitor, Contributor to the Sport)

- National Archery Association Cadet Championship, 1949
- National Archery Association Junior Championship, 1952
- National Archery Association Intermediate Championship, 1953
- National Field Archery Association Champion, 1954, 55, 57 and 58
- Youngest woman ever to win a National Field Archery Association Championship
- Promoted archery and shot exhibitions worldwide
- Winner, Miss America Pageant Talent Competition; talent: shooting archery, 1958



## Homer Taylor

(Competitor, Contributor to the Sport)

- Secretary, National Archery Association, 1882
- President, National Archery Association, 1907, 09 and 24
- National Archery Association National Champion, 1882 and 1911
- National Archery Association Flight Champion, 1906
- Competed in 26 National Archery Association Championships, 1882-1933

