



## In Memoriam

# JACK R. BUTCHER

1921-2010

Congenial, friendly Kiwanian, Jack Butcher, shook hands and smiled with many of us last Tuesday when he attended the meeting after many months of treatment and recuperation from a dreaded cancer. He had only returned to our meetings for the past 2-3 weeks. Then late Wednesday morning he fell backwards in his garage and hit his head. Being on blood thinner, Jack suffered a massive bleed to the head and died that evening, March 17, 2010 at the age of 88, with his wife by his side. Memorial services will be held at the Westwood First Presbyterian Church Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup> at 4pm with visitation from 3pm-4pm.

This year Jack would have received his 25 year Legion of Honor Certificate since joining Cheviot-Westwood Kiwanis in April, 1985. He has served well and conscientiously as chairman of our attendance committee in charge of greeting us as we arrived, collecting the tariff for our meals, marking attendance and putting up our Kiwanis banners, podium, flags and the bell and gong. Jack also served as a Board of Director and as a member of Budget, Bulletin, Interclub and Vocational Guidance committees while he and Dottie worked the kitchen annually at our Harvest Home Fair.

Jack was a native west-sider, attended Western Hills High School with classmates; Al Moeller, Bill Dickhoner and Lew Harrison. Jack was president of his junior 1938 class and senior 1939 class, president of the Hi-Y cabinet, vice-president of Maroon W, the honored flag bearer and he successfully quarterbacked the West High Maroons in football. He served as the city-wide president of Hi-Y.

Jack entered the Business Administration co-op program at UC and worked at Cincinnati Milling Machine. He was a member of Sigma Chi Fraternity. His college life was interrupted by the 20<sup>th</sup> Air Force who had him serve on Tinian Island in the Marianas. At the time he didn't know what was going on behind the barbed wire area on Tinian until the A-bombs were dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki from their Tinian base. Jack felt partially responsible for his part in bringing WWII to a screeching halt.

After UC graduation, Jack and Dottie were married in 1948. They celebrated 61 years together. They have two children, Scott and Gail, and six grandchildren. Scott worked with the U.S. State Department in Burma, Malaysia, Jakarta, Indonesia, and Bangladesh and then in Washington D.C. Gail lives in Denver where Jack and Dottie enjoyed visiting. After Jack learned the secrets of Colgate-Palmolive for eight months, he joined Procter & Gamble where he was employed for 36 years. He retired as Director of the Payment and Accounting Area for Transportation where he handled \$3.5 million per month.

Jack and Dottie were members of the Westwood Presbyterian Church where Jack served as deacon, elder, trustee, and as chairman of the Personnel Committee on several occasions. For years he enjoyed playing with the church team in the YMCA church softball league. He also bowled, played golf and enjoyed gardening. Jack and Dottie loved traveling whenever possible, including to Tahiti, Malaysia, Europe, Australia and New Zealand after retirement.

Cheviot-Westwood sadly says good-bye to a dedicated member and officer of the club as we appreciate his 25 years of conscientious service and fellowship.

***Thanks Jack!***