



Philip Howard Gray died peacefully in his sleep at his Bozeman residence on Nov. 18, 2009.

He was born July 4, 1926, Cape Rosier, Maine, to Asa H. and Bernice M. (Lawrence) Gray.

Philip served as a Private in the United States Army, 1944-45, and as PFC 1945-46, World War II ETO, in the 78th Infantry Division's 303rd Engineer Combat Battalion, 1st Army, and this

Battalion receiving the Presidential Unit Citation for heroism under fire during action at the Ludendorff Bridge, Remagen, Germany and the North Shoulder of Hurtgen Forest in the Ardennes-Alsace campaign. He was a life member of the 78th Infantry Division Assn, Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge, and Veterans of Foreign Wars, Post 903. He was awarded three Bronze Stars, Army of Occupation medal with Germany clasp, a Presidential Unit Citation, and a Meritorious Unit Commendation.

After graduation from the eighth grade, he worked in the Maine woods and, at age 16, in the ship yards of Portland, Maine. He enlisted the day after his eighteenth birthday. Discharged in 1946, he began a period of self-education,

and in 1953 was examined at the Latin Grammar School in Boston and accepted into the graduate program at Stanford University and the University of Chicago. He chose the University of Chicago and earned a Masters Degree in Psychology in 1958 and a Ph.D. from the University of Washington in 1960.

On New Year's Eve, 1954, Philip married Iris McKinney in Chicago.

Philip taught psychology at Montana State College 1960-68, at the University of Manitoba 1968-70, and again at Montana State University, until he retired as a full professor in December 1991. He served as president of the Montana Psychological Assn, 1968-70, helping write the Montana licensing law for psychologists, and was chairman of the Montana Board of Psychologist Examiners, 1972-74.

A Fellow of American Psychological Assn, the Association of Psychological Science, International Society of Research on Aggression, and a Senior Fellow of American Assn of the Advancement of Science, Philip is referenced in more than 80 volumes in his academic field, and has been listed in Who's Who in America since 1982.

Philip is the author of a 6-volume series, Penobscot Pioneers; a study of psychopathology of murder entitled Ghoulies and Ghosties; a critique of mysteries. Mean Streets and Dark Deeds; Classic Inuit Artists, which reflected his interest in Canadian Eskimo art; and his memoirs, Egoteria of a Psychologist, which included many of his poems. He wrote three unpublished mysteries based in Maine. At the time of his death he was working on a manuscript entitled Jabberwocky Darwin, Jabberwocky Freud, in which he identified the Jabberwock that collapses societies.

As a member of the Company of Military Historians Philip researched the WWII daily action reports of the 78th Division, writing articles for the Division's publication, The Flash, and The Bugle, a publication of the Veterans of the Battle of the Bulge.

Philip served as president of the local chapter of the National Society of Sons of the American Revolution and as Vice President General of the Intel-mountain District of NSSAR. He was a life member of the National Rifle Assn.

Survivors include his wife Iris, daughter Cindelyn Eberts, son Howard Carso Gray, grandsons Wescott and Russell Eberts, half brother Michael Gordon (Marcia), and brother-in-law Victor Danico.

Philip was preceded in death by his son-in-law Ray Eberts, brother Harland Gray, and his half sister Bernice Danico (Victor).

Following a ceremony at 10 a.m., Monday, Nov. 23, at Dokken-Nelson Funeral Service, burial will be at Fort Harrison Veteran's Cemetery in Helena.

Memorials may be made to a charity of one's choice.