

# Joseph Henry Blissenbach

## 26<sup>th</sup> State Deputy of Oregon 1958-1960



Joseph Henry Blissenbach was born on March 11, 1917 in Saint Paul, MN to Henry and Rose Blissenbach.

Joseph work for the Gopher Stamp and Die in Saint Paull until 1941 when he enlisted into the Army and served in WWII. He was discharged in 1945.

Joseph married Lilian V. Heinz on May 11, 1944 in The Dalles. The couple adopted two children: Timothy in 1948 and Jerome in 1950.

Joseph was a member of The Dalles Council 1598 and District Deputy. He was elected as State Deputy in 1958 but never held any other State Office. Under his leadership, Joseph, initiated District meetings.



Lilian Blissenbach

The family lived in The Dalles until 1962, moved to Baker City until 1967 then to Tacoma, WA for seven years. Spent 10 years in Elko, NV finally settling in Woodburn, OR in 1981 when he retired from banking.

Joseph H. Blissenbach died January 8, 2004 in Woodburn, OR and is buried in the Willamette National Cemetery, Portland, OR. Joseph's son, Jerome, died in 2003, Lilian died in 2012 and Joseph's other son, Timothy, died in 2013.

*"Pray, Work and Play together and Columbianism and Catholicism shall reign in Oregon."*  
*Joseph H Blissenbach, 1960, Portland, OR*

