



Scouting Mourns the Loss of a Great Leader

Raymond E. Mason, Jr. known as “the General” for his military service has passed away at the age of 90. Mason was a past Council President of the Simon Kenton Council and a winner of Scouting’s highest volunteer honors including the Silver beaver and Silver Antelope in addition to the Baden Powell Award from the World Scout Foundation. He was a steadfast benefactor to the Scouting program and donated the funds to construct the Raymond E. Mason, Jr. Shooting Sports Complex at Camp Lazarus.

Mason was incredibly active in other charities throughout Central Ohio as well winning the Man of the Year award from the Rotary Club of Columbus and the Ohio State University Centennial Medallion. His legacy is seen throughout Central Ohio and his devotion to the ideals and values of Scouting were unmatched.

Mason had a distinguished military career serving under General George S. Patton in World War II and earning the Silver Star, Legion of Merit, and the Bronze Star with V for Valor before retiring as Major General. He was the founder of Columbus Truck and Equipment Co. and served as a director for several other corporations.

He is survived by his son Raymond E. Mason III who is an advisory board member of the Simon Kenton Council, his wife Margaret and his other two son Michael D. Mason and Bruce R. Mason.

All Scouts and Scouters are invited to pay their respects at a public memorial service this Saturday August 21 at 1:30PM at The Columbus Foundation 1234 E. Broad Street Columbus, OH