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NATURE OF STORY: SHERIFF'S POSSE CHARTER MEMBER

**INVOLVED: Gene Terpening
Springfield, OR
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DETAILS:

Lane County Sheriff's Mounted Posse member Gene Terpening passed away on Monday July 2, 2007 at the age of 88. Gene was a volunteer member of the Posse for 66 years. Memorial services were held on Saturday July 7. Many members of the Sheriff's Mounted Posse, other agency Posses, and several other Law Enforcement agencies were in attendance.

Mr. Terpening was the last living charter member of the Sheriff's Office Mounted Posse which was formed in 1941. During his 66 year career he was elected Captain several times by his peers. Over the years Gene assisted on several search and rescue missions as well. His 66 years of volunteer work for the Sheriff's Office is the longest on record.

Gene Terpening was a life-long Lane County resident. In addition to his volunteer work with the Sheriff's Office he spent time working as a logger and a farmer.

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