

her many contributions to *The Kingbird* and for her book, co-authored with O. S. Pettingill, Jr., *Enjoying Birds in Upstate New York*. The Spoffords made a memorable trip to study eagles in Africa in the company of Leslie Brown and Peter Steyn.

After retirement, Walter and Sally moved to their bird-rich Rancho-Aguila in the Chiricahua Mountains of Arizona. Birders came from far

and near to see the rarities. If Spoff occasionally was overwhelmed by the "dickey-birders," he had but to gaze at a mighty crag across the road where Peregrines were nesting, or to arrange a trip back east to check eagle eyries from Maine to New York. Death came to this gifted man in Douglas, Arizona, on 3 December 1995.

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## IN MEMORIAM: WILLIAM H. MARSHALL, 1912-1996

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William Hampton Marshall was born 20 April 1912 in Montreal, Canada. Three years later his family moved to California, where he graduated from Berkeley High School in 1929 and from the University of California Berkeley, in biology, in 1933. After obtaining a master's degree in forestry from the University of Michigan in 1935, he worked for the U.S. Biological Survey and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, studying geese on the Bear River Refuge and Sharp-tailed Grouse in the Cache Valley, Utah. In 1942, he obtained his doctorate in forestry from the University of Michigan, and in 1945 became a professor of wildlife management and ecology at the University of Minnesota, where his studies included coots, muskrats, the reintroduction of bulrush into mud flats, and early radio-telemetry studies of porcupines. One monograph and a major paper dealt with plant and animal interrelationships on native prairie, and implications for management. He was director of field biology programs at the Univer-

sity of Minnesota's Lake Itasca Biological Station (1959 to 1970), a member of the Minnesota Governor's Conservation Advisory Board, and President of the Minnesota Academy of Sciences (1954 to 1955). He received the Green Award from the Minneapolis Junior Chamber of Commerce in 1957. His research grants and fellowships included a Fulbright Scholarship to New Zealand.

A member of the AOU since 1935, he became an Elective Member in 1950. He retired from the University in 1978, and died at Clarkston, Washington on 17 January 1996. He was predeceased by his wife, Leith, in 1991, and by a son, Guy, who died in a tragic car-train accident. He is survived by his son, Alan, of Lewiston, Idaho. In his memory a William Marshall memorial fund will support Native American students at the Lewis-Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho. I am indebted to Arthur S. Hawkins for assistance in preparing this memorial.