Reported Deaths

Chelsey B. Hall, a retired professor emeritus from the Univ. of Florida/IFAS, Horticultural Sciences Dept., died on 25 Aug. 2005. He was 84.

Hall was born in Concord, N.H., in 1920. He was a U.S. Army Air Corps veteran of World War II, serving as an Instrument Flying Instructor at the rank of Sergeant.

Hall received his doctoral degree in 1950 from Cornell Univ. He moved to Gainesville, Fla., to take the position of assistant professor at the Univ. of Florida/IFAS, Dept. of Horticulture, where he began his career in Horticulture. Hall worked with the Dept. of Horticulture from 1950–56 and then took a position as an associate professor in the Dept. of Food Technology from 1956–69. In 1969, he returned to the Vegetable Crops Dept., now known as the Horticultural Sciences Dept., and worked there until he retired in 1992. During his tenure at the Univ. of Florida/IFAS, Hall served as acting chair of the Vegetable Crops Dept. from 1978–79 and was later assigned the duty of assistant chair of the department from 1982–83. He served as graduate coordinator on two occasions 1982–83 and again from 1986–87.

Hall's areas of research included cell wall enzymes and fruit softening, vegetable crop physiology and biochemistry, as well as factors involved in tomato ripening and graywall, celery flavor constituents, lettuce storage and quality, nitrite and accumulation in carrots, potato quality, pepper quality, lychee storage, physiological disorders of celery, and radish root development.

Hall received the Fellow American Association Advancement of Science Award in 1962, Fellow ASHS in 1976, and received the Florida State Horticultural Society, Vegetable Section, Best Paper Award in 1972, for "Association of *Pseudomonas Marginalis* with Pink Rib in Lettuce." He was listed in *American Men of Science and Leaders in American Science*.

Hall was always well liked by his peers and loved by the students he taught while working in the Vegetable Crops Dept. Hall's greatest contributions are not documented; his unselfish assistance to graduate students and junior faculty, and his mature leadership in the Dept., College and Univ. of Florida activities.

Chelsey B. Hall was preceded in death by his wife, Marion Hall. He is survived by two sons, Craig Hall of Atlanta, Ga., and Glenn Hall of Gainesville; two daughters, Alison Bowe of Lake Ridge, Va., and Lynn Terhune of Ft. Myers, Fla.; six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

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