Spencer Nelson

Spencer Nelson’s love of life never flagged. He was equally passionate about golf. Nelson first became a golf course Superintendent at a town course in North Dakota. In the early 60s, he was the course manager of Little Falls Country Club in Minnesota and was a member of the MGCSA since 1965. Nelson played his last rounds of golf at age 100, but continued to hit a few balls, “even if it meant strapping himself to a deck post to keep himself upright,” his daughter said. Nelson died at his home at the age of 102 in June.

Joe Check

Joe Check, a well-known MGCSA member since 1975, died at the age of 87 in July. Joe worked in the Engineering Department at the Toro Company for 47 years.