

Al Rockwood

Albert Miller Rockwood (1922-2009), was born in Columbus, Ohio. His father, Robert Rockwood, was an Ohio State University professor and a good fly fisherman. He taught Albert to fly fish at a very early age. By age 12, Albert was learning to tie flies with the help of a fellow Ohio State professor. His passion for fishing and fly tying remained strong throughout his life, and was a large factor in moving his family to Muskegon, Michigan in 1961.

After graduating from Harvard College and serving in the US Navy, Albert worked as a mechanical engineer, retiring in 1981. At this point he started “Flies for Michigan,” his home-based business offering flies, rods, reels, fly-tying lessons, etc. --- “Everything for the Fly Fisher,” was his slogan. The business continued until 2003 when Albert suffered a stroke. He continued to tie flies and fish until his death in 2009.

He was an active Trout Unlimited Member, helping found the Muskegon-White River Chapter in 1987. He was honored with the Mr. Trout Award from this Chapter in 2003.

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