

# 68 years of happily ever after

## Cambridge couple celebrate anniversary this weekend

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### HILDEBRAN

Schoolmates and friends throughout school, Frank and Mildred Ballew bonded over letters from home. Frank served in the U.S. Army Ordinance Corps in World War II, and Mildred would send him regular correspondence. Once he returned, the couple quickly decided

on a wedding date.

The couple will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary on Saturday.

Frank was in engineering, television and radio. He brought the first radio station to Morganton, while Mildred's career was in business and finance.

She was the Pilot Club president and the first to bring the Life-line Support Program to



Schoolmates and friends throughout school, Frank and Mildred Ballew (above) will celebrate their 68th wedding anniversary this weekend in Hildebran. The couple married soon after Frank's return from serving in the Army during World War II.

North Carolina.

Traveling all over the United States by car, the Ballews were both active in the Baptist church and civic clubs.

Mildred enjoyed needlework and gardening, while Frank loved golf.

The couple have one

son, who lives in Atlanta.

Upon advice from their family doctor, the couple moved to DePaul's Cambridge House, a senior living community in Hildebran, about one year ago. Mildred enjoys playing bingo at Cambridge House, while both she and Frank participate in

religious services, socials and parties.

Their secret to 68 years of marriage — "(We) don't argue," said Mildred. "We just agree that we disagree if needed."

Frank said marriage is a 50/50 deal.

"No one is the boss," he said. "We work it out

between us."

Cambridge House activities director Cheri Hahn said it's clear that the Ballews love each other unconditionally.

She said, "This couple is a shining example of what being in love and growing old together should be all about."



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