

# Obituary

## James M. Whitney

September 27, 1937 – December 10, 2020

James M. Whitney (Jim) passed away on December 10, 2020 at age 83 at his home residence in Sisters.

Born in Klamath County to Marion and Carmelita Whitney on September 27, 1937, Jim attended school K-12 in Brownsville with his five siblings.

He joined the United States Army in 1957, achieving a noncommissioned officer rank of Specialist 5th Class, as a missile fire-control crewman. He then served in the USAR, until receiving an honorable discharge in 1963.

Jim married Patricia Ann Stalford on January 24, 1962 in Linn County. They had a daughter, Colleen Carter, of Carnation, Washington.

He would later marry the love of his life, Willa G. Bullard (Marty), in Southern California, February 13, 1966.

Jim and Marty moved from Brownsville to Sisters, and in 1970 they founded Whitney Sporting Goods. For decades their family business was a local landmark for sportsmen traveling to Central Oregon.

He would also go on to serve his community as a reserve officer for the Sisters Police Department before his graduation from the Oregon State Police Academy in 1982. Jim went on to build a career

with the Deschutes County Sheriffs Department, where he served with integrity, loyalty, and honor well into retirement.

He had a lifelong passion for the outdoors, which he shared graciously with his family and the many friends he would go on to make in his pursuit of game throughout the Northwest and Alaska. In his rare leisure moments Jim would often be found teaching hunter safety to the area youth, or simply tossing out a fishing line along with some advice about life.

Jim loved his dog, Babe, his brothers and sisters, and a great adventure, which he is no doubt having now.

Jim is preceded in death by his loving wife, Willa Whitney; his sisters, Carol Weathers of Bend, and Ellen Baxter of Culp Creek.

Jim is survived by his fiancé, Melinda Fritzie of Sisters; his daughter, Colleen Carter; with grandchildren and great-grandchildren of Washington and Oregon; his brothers, Dennis Whitney of La Pine, and Allan Whitney (Short) of Brownsville; and his sister, Ida Brown of Cottage Grove.

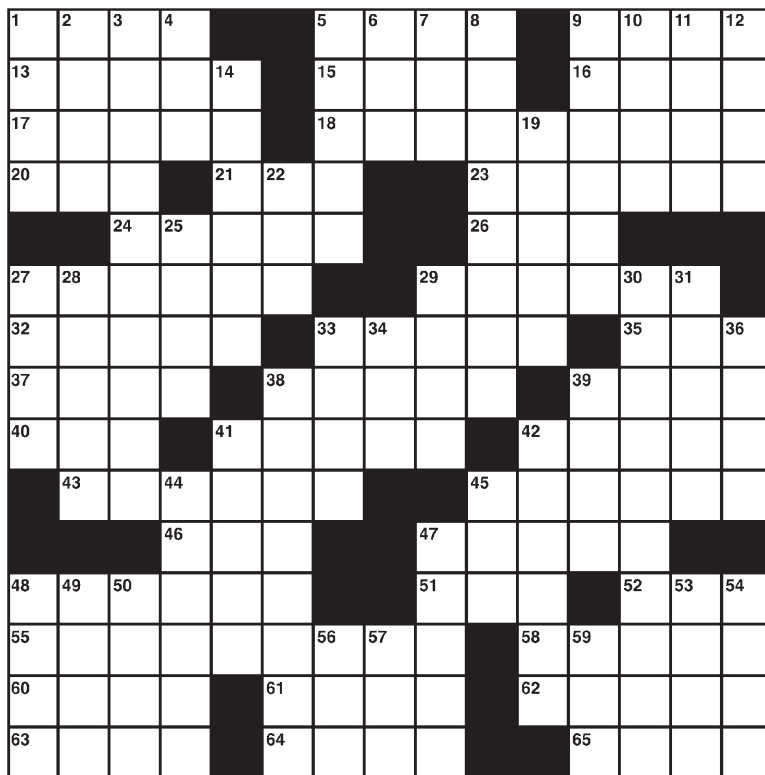
Memorial donations can be made to the Wounded Warrior Project.

A scheduled celebration of Jim Whitney's life has been postponed until May.

# The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Relaxation
  - 5 Go by
  - 9 "One \_\_\_ Over the Cuckoo's Nest"
  - 13 Stomach woe
  - 15 Public uprising
  - 16 Coty or Russo
  - 17 Go down a fire pole
  - 18 Emergency vehicle
  - 20 Storm center
  - 21 11/11 honoree
  - 23 Made coins
  - 24 Racket
  - 26 U.K. network
  - 27 Tin & bronze
  - 29 Snoozes
  - 32 Identical
  - 33 Salesman's pitch
  - 35 Like chafed skin
  - 37 Peat \_\_\_; garden soil additive
  - 38 Raises, as kids
  - 39 Garb for Caesar
  - 40 To the point
  - 41 Fruit salad ingredients
  - 42 Wanderer
  - 43 Hold in high regard
  - 45 Perplex
  - 46 Obi-\_\_\_ Kenobi
  - 47 Hut
  - 48 Like a no-nonsense teacher
  - 51 Neighbor of Mex.
  - 52 "I \_\_\_ Rhythm"; Gershwin song
  - 55 Unfinished business
  - 58 Prince Harry's mum
  - 60 As blind as \_\_\_
  - 61 Chess piece
  - 62 Change slightly
  - 63 Marries
  - 64 Stick around
  - 65 In case
- DOWN**
- 1 Trick
  - 2 Soprano
  - 3 Chemists & biologists
  - 4 Kennedy or Danson
  - 5 Babble
  - 6 Shoot carefully
  - 7 Cry
  - 8 Trips
  - 9 Neighbor of Belgium
  - 10 Season that begins today
  - 11 Suffix for confer or insist
  - 12 Garden intruder
  - 14 Denounce harshly
  - 19 Written slander
  - 22 English letter
  - 25 Sturdy trees
  - 27 One of the Three Bears
  - 28 Wed secretly
  - 29 Gentlemen
  - 30 Make known to the public
  - 31 Long narratives
  - 33 Stitched joining
  - 34 Golf term
  - 36 Get one's feet wet
  - 38 Goes in again
  - 39 Heavy volume
  - 41 Hippie's greeting



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### — Last Week's Puzzle Solved —



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- 42 "The Silver State"
- 44 Removes a jar lid
- 45 Derek & others
- 47 Sled dog
- 48 Cabbage dish
- 49 "O, \_\_\_ in England..." (Robt. Browning)
- 50 Rocky \_\_\_ ice cream
- 53 Small numbers
- 54 Little fruit pie
- 56 As often as \_\_\_; usually
- 57 \_\_\_ slow burn; seethe
- 59 Under the weather

## LETTERS

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emotional and spiritual issues for both patient and family members. Though often overlooked within the context of medical crises, hospice services provide specialized care that bring tangible relief and comfort at such times of tremendous strain.

Here in Central Oregon, we are fortunate to have several hospice care providers at the ready. But as our population grows, collective action is required to ensure that adequate hospice care is in place to provide for all who need it.

Partners In Care operates Hospice House in Bend, the only inpatient hospice facility east of the Cascades in Oregon. Hospice House provides short-term care for the hospice patients of Partners In Care, as well as from other hospice organizations under contract with Partners In Care. For those of us in Sisters, Hospice House is our place for inpatient hospice care.

The Sisters community is now rallying to support a doubling of capacity at the brand-new Hospice House to keep up with a growing population. The capital campaign currently underway will fund the new 12-bed facility, with one suite named Three Sisters. This capacity expansion is intended to help reduce possible waiting queues for those who may need access to both intensive symptom management and respite care for family members.

Many of us are eternally grateful for the first-hand experiences we have had with hospice care, whether in Central Oregon or elsewhere. It is time to pay it forward and contribute to ensure that such services are available to our friends and neighbors here in Sisters when they need them.

Perhaps in memory of a loved one you have lost, I ask you to please consider a contribution to the Sisters Country Challenge in support of the planned Three Sisters patient room at Hospice House. Online donations can be made at [www.partnersbend.org/campaign/](http://www.partnersbend.org/campaign/) where you can also learn more about this important project.

Rob Corrigan, Sisters Country Challenge Committee

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