

Kathryn A. (McFarland) Cray

La Grande
1944-2019

Kathryn Ann Cray, 74, of La Grande, died Oct. 21 at a local care facility. At her request, there will not be a service.

Kathryn was born Nov. 2, 1944, in La Grande, to Raymond and Kathryn (Gregory) McFarland. She lived in La Grande, Bend and Jerusalem, Israel. She graduated from La Grande High School. On March 12, 1990, Kathryn married Donald F. Cray in Israel, where they lived for a year before moving to Bend.

Kathryn worked at McDonald's in Bend and was a homemaker. She enjoyed painting, drawing, reading the Bible and taking walks around town. She loved her family dearly. Kathryn was gentle and caring but could also be mischievous at times.

Survivors include her siblings, Richard McFarland of



Union, Marilyn McFarland of Union, Mark McFarland and wife, Gayle, of Cottage Grove, John McFarland of McMinnville, and Janine McFarland of Bend; special family friend, Bob Peterson; 10 nieces and nephews; many great-nieces and great-nephews; and cousins and spouses, Margaret and Sam Wade of Wallowa, Jean and Neil Cooper of La Grande, and Lynn Eyberg of Houston, Texas.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Ray and Kathryn McFarland; husband, Don Cray; grandmother, Jesse McFarland; and grandfather Dr. John Gregory.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com.

Susan L. (Russel) Eaton

Elgin
1947-2019

Susan "Sue" Lorrie Eaton, 72, of Elgin, died Oct. 20 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A memorial service will be held at noon Oct. 26 at the Elgin Community Center.

OBITUARIES

Known as Sue, she was born Sept. 13, 1947, in Chehalis, Washington, to Dale and Martha (Emery) Russel. She resided in Morton, Washington, and in John Day, Dallas and Elgin. Sue attended Morton Elementary School and Grant Union High School in John Day. She was married to Gale Martin and later to Dale Eaton.

Sue worked as a 911 dispatcher in Elgin, Dallas and Marion County. After retiring as a dispatcher, she was employed as an adult foster care provider and was one of Elgin's first volunteer EMTs.

Sue was a pancreatic cancer survivor. She loved her family and friends and was a Portland Trail Blazers fan. Sue was an avid reader and had a passion for taking adventures.

Surviving relatives include her daughters and sons-in-law, Jeanie and Gary Lambert of Elgin, Shelley and David Kennedy of Elgin, and Jill Diemer of Kuna, Idaho; son and daughter-in-law,

Terry and Tereasa Martin of Elgin; brother and sister-in-law, Larry and Judy Russel of Ridgefield, Washington; sisters, Irene Adams and husband, Mike, of Soldotna, Alaska, and Jan Sears of North Dakota; seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her infant son, Jeffrey Martin; parents, Dale and Martha Russel; brother, Robert Russel; and sister, Robin Dayton.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Pancreatic Cancer Research at the American Cancer Society by calling 1-800-227-2345 or by mailing to P.O. Box 22478, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73123.

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Virginia 'Tobie' Williams

Elgin

Virginia "Tobie" Williams, 81, of Elgin, died Oct. 23

at Grande Ronde Hospital. A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Nov. 2 at the Elgin Stampede Hall. Casual dress is preferred by the family. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory is handling the arrangements.

LeRoy D. Woolsey

Wallowa

LeRoy D. Woolsey, 83, of Wallowa, died Oct. 22 at his residence. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

John L. Hays

La Grande

John L. Hays, 73, of La Grande, died Oct. 18 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A viewing will be held from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Oct. 26 at Loveland Funeral Chapel. On Oct. 28, a graveside service will begin at noon at Grandview Cemetery, followed by a celebration of his life at 2 p.m. at the La Grande First Christian Church.

UPCOMING FUNERALS AND VISITATIONS

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Oct. 26 Violet Malone:

2 p.m., memorial service, Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center; La Grande; interment follows at Cove Cemetery.

Oct. 27 Jerry Johnson:

1 p.m., memorial service, Eastern Oregon Livestock Show Clubhouse, Union.

Terry Mauck:

4:30 p.m., funeral, La Grande Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.

Nov. 12 Phillip Mendiguren:

2 p.m., Rosary and Mass of Christian Burial, Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, La Grande.

LOCAL BRIEFING

From staff reports

RSVP now for senior meal in Cove

COVE — The next Cove senior meal will be served Nov. 5 in Founders Hall of the Ascension School. The lunch will include spaghetti with meat sauce, broccoli, a salad bar and bread with chocolate cupcakes for dessert. There is a \$5 charge per meal. Coffee and tea are available at noon, and the meal follows. To RSVP, call Imie Bristow at 541-568-4545 or Betsy Arnson at 541-568-4902 by Oct. 31.

LG City Council prepares to consider warming station appeal

LA GRANDE — The La Grande City Council will meet at 6 p.m. Nov. 6 at La Grande City Hall, 1000 Adams Ave., to conduct regular city business. On Dec. 4, the city will be considering an appeal of a conditional use permit for the Union County Warming Station. All comments and testimony related to the warming station will be accepted only during the

Dec. 4 session. Citizens who wish to submit comments on the warming station may do so in writing to the La Grande Planning Department by Nov. 15. Comments submitted after this date will be accepted but may not be included in the staff report to the council. Instead, these letters will be presented to the council during the December regular session. Anyone who has questions regarding the warming station appeal may contact Michael Boquist, community development director, at 541-962-1307.

OTEC Board meets Tuesday

BAKER CITY — The Oregon Trail Electric Cooperative Board of Directors will meet at 9 a.m. Oct. 29 at OTEC Headquarters in Baker City. The board will hear a legislative update from Sen. Cliff Bentz and Ted Case, ORECA Executive Director Ted Case. Other items on the agenda include the board's budget and a quarterly economic and community development update.

Union City Council work session moved to Wednesday

UNION — The Union City Council will meet at 6 p.m. Oct. 30 for a work session in the Leonard Almquist Council Chambers, 342 S. Main St. The agenda includes discussion on Chapters 1-3 of the charter review, the ATV ordinance and deer abatement. The meeting was originally scheduled for Monday.

'Mental Health First Aid' class for veterans held Monday

LA GRANDE — Statistics show that approximately 20 veterans die each day by suicide, and nearly one in four active duty members showed signs of a mental health condition in a 2014 study. Mental Health First Aid for Veterans, a course open to veterans, military members and their families and friends, will be offered Oct. 29 at Center for Human Development, 2301 Cove Ave., La Grande. The eight-hour training begins at 8:30 a.m. and will teach

participants how to identify, understand and respond to mental illnesses and substance abuse disorders, using the ALGEE action plan: assess for risk of suicide or harm, listen nonjudgmentally, give reassurance and information, encourage appropriate professional help and encourage self-help and other support strategies.

City's leaf removal begins soon

LA GRANDE — The City of La Grande's public works department and garbage service will begin the annual leaf removal at 7 a.m. Nov. 12 and will continue until all streets have been cleaned once, or until winter weather stops the process. City crews will begin in the area near Pioneer Park and move south and then east. Residents are asked to refrain from parking on the street when leaf removal operations are in their area as street sweepers will be following. This project is to remove the leaves that fall in the streets only. Do not rake or otherwise

place leaves in the roadways. Those who have city garbage service may dispose of leaves for free at the city garbage site on Highway 30 until Nov. 30. Contact public works at 541-962-1325 for more information.

LHS holds parent-teacher conferences

LA GRANDE — La Grande High School's parent-

teacher conferences will take place Oct. 30-Nov. 1. Conferences will be held in the commons and media center. Progress report cards will be handed out at that time. The schedule is: 5 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Wednesday; 7:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and noon to 3:30 p.m. Thursday; and 7:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Friday. Contact the high school office for more information.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

LA GRANDE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Arrested: Dustin Sparks, 27, unknown address, was arrested on a charge of driving while suspended, misdemeanor.

Accident: Nobody was injured in a traffic accident Thursday on University Boulevard. The accident was reported at 10:50 a.m.

UNION COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

Arrested: Kaylee Green, 20, unknown address, was arrested on a Union County warrant charging failure to appear in court on an original charge of second-degree theft.

Arrested: Emily Hansen, 33, unknown address, was arrested on a Baker County warrant charging a probation violation. The alleged probation violation was connected to original charges of second-degree theft and unlawful possession of a schedule II controlled substance.

Arrested: Kenny Ray Smith, 38, a transient, was arrested on a Oregon Parole Board warrant. The warrant was connected to an original charge of sexual assault.

LA GRANDE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Firefighters responded to five calls for medical assistance on Tuesday and 10 on Wednesday.

Thank you for thoughts and prayers, cards, flowers and food. Thank you to Janet Wells, Nadine's Nest, Steven and Stephanie Murdock and Heart 'n' Home Hospice for all your care and kindness shown.

The family of Leon Paroz

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