

OBITUARIES

Benjamin D. (Houston) Seidel

La Grande
1990-2019

Benjamin David (Houston) Seidel, 29, of La Grande, died Nov. 12 at his home. A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Nov. 23 at Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center.

Known as Ben, he was born Feb. 12, 1990, in Baker City, to Donald and Karen (Seidel) Houston. As a child he moved from Halfway to La Grande, where he attended school. Ben worked as a cook and a dishwasher at Dusty Spur and took pride in his job. He loved his family, friends and his dogs.

Surviving relatives include his sister, Samantha Houston of La Grande; adopted brothers, Jacob Kahut, Kyle Kahut and Justin Kahut; grandmother, Marie Houston of La Grande; two nieces, Trenity Houston and Bailey Morales-Houston; one nephew, Gebriel Morales-Houston; and numerous cousins and adopted family.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sister, Jessica Seidel; adopted brother, Tyler Kahut; grandfather, Delbert Houston; uncle, Leo Houston; and aunt, Dorothy Thompson.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Ben Seidel Memorial Fund in care of Daniels-Knopp Funeral & Life Celebration Center, 1502 Seventh St., La Grande 97850.

David W. Kirkland

Imbler
1947-2019

David Wayne Kirkland, 72, of Imbler, died Nov. 8 at his residence. A memorial



service will be held at 2 p.m. Nov. 22 at the North Powder United Methodist Church.

David was born Oct. 11, 1947, in La Grande, to George and Maxine (Erwin) Kirkland. He was raised in North Powder. David served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam with the 9th Division 32nd Battalion from 1968 to 1969. He married Phyllis Brookshire Marx and later Pamela Bagley. Both marriages ended in divorce.

David was a truck driver and heavy equipment operator, built roads for the logging industry and worked in the sawmill. He was employed by HNS Construction, Crisstad Enterprises, Bowman Trucking and Brookshire Logging. David enjoyed hunting, fishing, reading Westerns and crime books, and being a mechanic.

During his time in Vietnam, David earned the Vietnam Defense Service Medal, Vietnam Citation Medal, and the Purple Heart. He was wounded when he stepped on a landmine. Agent Orange was all over the ground. He dove into a

rice bed but was struck in the back of the neck with shrapnel. David played basketball and ran cross country and track during his school days. His best friend was his dog, Wendy.

Surviving relatives include his sons, Mark Kirkland of New Plymouth, Idaho, and Chase Kirkland of Portland; brother and sister-in-law, Roger and Karen Kirkland of North Powder; three grandchildren; and brother-in-law, Dwayne Irvin.

He was preceded in death by his son, Clint Kirkland; parents; and sisters, Iola "Oly" Maxine Kirkland Irvin, Faye Carlon and Dee Harn.

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

Donna M. (Pace) Campbell

La Grande
1931-2019

Donna Mae Campbell, 88, of La Grande, died Nov. 13 at Grande Ronde Hospital. A celebration of her life will be held in the spring. Arrangements are entrusted to Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center.

Donna was born Oct. 26, 1931, in Enterprise, to Ora and Beulah (Gribbling) Pace. She graduated from Enterprise High School. In 1954, Donna moved to La Grande, where she worked as the cook manager for Greenwood Elementary School from 1964 to 1994.

Donna was a member of the First Christian Church and the Eagles Lodge. She enjoyed reading and traveling and loved her family.

Surviving relatives include her daughter, Shirley Harris of Silverton; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren; and sisters, Phyllis Gibbs and Betty Sasser, both of Enterprise.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Margie Cordova; siblings, Jack Pace and Gordon Wayne Pace; and one grandchild.

Patricia F. (Knight) Jenkins

La Grande
1925-2019

Patricia Francis Jenkins, 93, of La Grande, died Nov. 11 at her home. A Mass



of Christian Burial will be held at 10 a.m. Nov. 23 at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church. Arrangements are entrusted to Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center.

Patricia was born Dec. 31, 1925, in Baker City, to James G. "Brownie" and Nida Belle (Patrick) Knight. She was educated in various places, including La Grande and Walla Walla, Washington, where she graduated from high school. Patricia earned a teaching degree from what is now Eastern Oregon University. On Dec. 15, 1952,

she married Orlander "Lee" Jenkins in La Grande.

Patricia taught second grade at Riviera Elementary School for more than 20 years and then finished her career teaching second grade at Central Elementary School. She was a member of Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, the Retired Teachers Association, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Emblem Club and a stock club. Patricia enjoyed worldwide travel and oil painting. She loved spending time at the family's Tollgate cabin, entertaining on her deck and organizing family reunions each year.

Surviving relatives include her children and their spouses, Jim and Valerie Jenkins of Vancouver, Washington, Patrick Jenkins and David Hill of Portland and Brad and Lisa Jenkins of La Grande; eight grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lee Jenkins, on May 9, 2012, and a sister, Donna Goss.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Union County Special Olympics in care of Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, 1502 Seventh St., La Grande 97850, or the Shriners Hospital for Children, 3101 SW Sam Jackson Park Road, Portland 97239.

Carolyn Coppin

Elgin

Carolyn Coppin, 73, of Elgin, died Nov. 18 at her residence. An obituary is forthcoming. Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory will be handling the arrangements.

Wade D. Brown

North Powder
1961-2019

Wade David Brown, 58, of North Powder, died Nov. 10



at his residence. A celebration of his life will be held at 11 a.m. Nov. 23 at the North Powder

Grange Hall. Wade was born Sept. 7, 1961, in Hermiston, to Glen and Mayfie (Tummonds)

Brown. He resided in La Grande and North Powder. He married Susan Warmuth on March 23, 2011.

Wade was employed as a logger. He enjoyed camping, fishing, woodcutting and hunting mushrooms, anything outdoors. He also loved old Westerns. Family was always most important to Wade, and he would do anything to help a friend.

Surviving relatives include his wife, Susan; brothers, Robert Brown of North Powder, Glen Brown Jr., and James Brown; sisters, Sara Alexander, Nancy Wright and Annette Scott; and many nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Glen and Mayfie Brown, and a sister, Debbie Taylor.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Umpqua Bank (account #0619) to help pay for funeral expenses.

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

Vern E. Bean

Formerly of La Grande
1937-2019

Vern Ellis Bean, 82, of Walkersville, Maryland, and formerly of La Grande,



died Oct. 28. A funeral will begin at 1 p.m. Nov. 23 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Walkersville. Visitation with the family will be held beforehand from 11:30 a.m. to 12:50 p.m. Interment at Mt. Olivet Cemetery will immediately follow the service.

Vern was born Jan. 19, 1937, in La Grande, to Walter Arnold and Rose Emily (Ellis) Bean.

Education was always important to Vern and he earned a bachelor's degree, master's degree and a PhD in physics, all from Brigham Young University. He also attended Eastern Oregon University, where he was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus in 2015.

Vern had a notable career as a physicist at the National Institute of Standards and

Technology in Gaithersburg, Maryland. A favorite part of the job was the opportunity to work with scientists from around the world who came to his lab to learn from him. He also attended international conferences and presented and published close to 90 papers. NIST awarded him the U.S. Department of Commerce Bronze Medal for his work in high pressure physics.

In 1961, Vern married Carol Allred, whom he first met while both were serving as missionaries for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Australia. Vern's job offered numerous opportunities to travel, and Carol frequently accompanied him. Together they served as missionaries in Thailand

and as addiction recovery missionaries in Maryland. They raised four children in Utah, California, and Maryland. Vern took particular pride in designing and building almost all the furniture in their house.

Surviving relatives include his children and their spouses, Gregory and Donita Bean, Scot and Lisa Bean, Charis and David Duke, and Laura Bean; nine grandchildren; and three great-grandsons.

He was preceded in death by his wife, parents, and siblings, John Ellis Bean, Rosemary Bean Burton, Walter Ellis Bean and Linda Bean.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Hospice of Frederick County, P.O. Box 1799, Frederick, Maryland 21702.

LOCAL BRIEFING

RSVP for Cove senior lunch by Nov. 27

COVE — The Cove Senior meal on Dec. 3 at the Cove Baptist Church will feature sweet and sour chicken, white rice, squash and mushrooms, green salad and rolls with lemon cake for dessert. There is a \$5 charge per meal. Coffee and tea are available at noon and the meal is served at 12:30 p.m. RSVP by calling Imie Bristow at 541-568-4545 or Betsy Arson at 541-568-4902 by Nov. 27.

Kids Night Out planned for Saturday

LA GRANDE — Kids Night Out will run from 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. Nov. 23 at Quinn Coliseum on the EOU campus in La Grande. Sponsored by the EOU women's basketball team, the event is open to kids in kindergarten through eighth grade and will feature indoor activities such as basketball, scooter bowling, bingo, movies and rock climbing. Cost is \$10 per child. Concessions will be

available. Registration at the door will be open from 5:40 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Participants may leave early but cannot return. For more information contact Anji Weissenfuh, head coach, at 541-962-3236 or aweissen@eou.edu.

Food, gifts and treasures for sale at church bazaars

LA GRANDE — Two La Grande churches are holding their annual holiday bazaars Nov. 23. St. Peter's Episcopal Church's Holiday Bazaar will run from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the corner of Fourth and O Avenue. Cinnamon rolls will be ready to go at 9 a.m. A homemade pie and soup lunch starts at 11 a.m.

The Christmas Bazaar at Our Lady of the Valley Catholic Church, also open from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., will feature gifts, crafts and holiday decor plus a homemade lunch and a holiday raffle. OLV is located at Fourth and K Avenue. Enter through the K Avenue entrance.

Vern Ellis Bean

January 19, 1937 - October 28, 2019



Vern Ellis Bean, 82, of Walkersville, MD, returned home to his Heavenly Father on October 28, 2019. He was born in LaGrande, Oregon on January 19, 1937 to Walter Arnold and Rose Emily Ellis Bean. Education was always important to Vern and he earned a bachelor's degree, master's

degree, and PhD in physics, all from Brigham Young University. He also attended Eastern Oregon University, where he was honored as a Distinguished Alumnus in 2015.

Vern had a notable career as a physicist at the National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) in Gaithersburg, MD. A favorite part of the job was the opportunity to work with 14 scientists from around the world who came to his lab to learn from him. He also attended international conferences and presented and published close to 90 papers. NIST awarded him the US Department of Commerce Bronze Medal for his work in high pressure physics. In 1961 Vern married Carol Allred, whom he first met while both were serving as missionaries for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Australia. Vern's job offered numerous opportunities to travel, and Carol frequently accompanied him. Together they served as missionaries in Thailand and as Addiction Recovery missionaries in Maryland. They raised four children in Utah, California, and Maryland. Vern took particular pride in designing and building almost all the furniture in their house.

Vern is predeceased by his wife, his parents, and his siblings, John Ellis Bean, Rosemary Bean Burton, Walter Ellis Bean, and Linda Bean. He is survived by his four children, Gregory (Donita) Bean, Scot (Lisa) Bean, Charis (David) Duke, and Laura Bean; nine grandchildren, Emily (Adam) Crandell, Jared (Megan) Bean, Trevor (Rachelle) Bean, Joshua (MacKenzie) Bean, Sarah (Wyatt) Knechtel, Spencer Bean, Catherine (Andrew) Streeter, Benjamin Duke, and Sylvia Duke.

He is also survived by three great-grandsons, Milo, Jack, and Hugo Streeter.

The funeral service is Saturday, November 23, 2019 at 1:00 pm at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1811 Latham Drive, Walkersville, MD. Visitation with the family is beforehand from 11:30-12:50. Interment will be immediately following at Mt. Olivet Cemetery. In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Hospice of Frederick County at PO Box 1799, Frederick, MD 21702.

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PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

Wednesday, Nov. 13
Oregon State Police arrested Denae Leshae Webb, 26, of Vancouver, Washington, for unauthorized use of a vehicle and on a warrant out of Washington state.

Sunday
Oregon State Police arrested Dezmund Anson, 24, of La Grande, for driving under the influence of intoxicants (alcohol).

Monday
Oregon State Police arrested Paige Nicole Aldred, 26, of La Grande, for DUII (alcohol).

Tuesday
The Union County Sheriff's Office arrested Tylor James Zacharias, 29, for DUII and reckless endangering.

La Grande police at 10:16 a.m. received a report of a burglary on the 300 block of 12th Street, La Grande.

A caller at 10:20 a.m. told La Grande police about vandalism on the 1700 block of Gekeler Lane, La Grande.

A caller at 1:32 p.m. reported the theft of cattle from the 62000 block of Tamarack Springs Lane, Summerville.

La Grande police at 8:01 p.m. took a complaint from a resident who received an obscene phone call.

And the La Grande Fire Department responded to six calls for medical assistance on Tuesday and 16 on Monday.

The Family of **Twila Roper** would like to express our Sincere Thanks to Daniels Knopp Funeral Chapel, for their excellent care of the staff of Grande Ronde Hospital, especially Rob for his excellent care, to Ginger Key for making her look so wonderful and Sydney and staff of the Senior Center for the wonderful dinner. Paster Mark Claudson for a great service. Also all her friends who expressed their sympathy.

THANK YOU