

OBITUARY

Marjorie C. (Patton) Savage

1931-2021
La Grande

Marjorie Carolina Savage, 89, of La Grande, died Oct. 2, 2021. A graveside service was held at the Elgin Cemetery.

Marjorie was born Nov. 11, 1931, in Peanut, California, to Willis Harry Patton and Edyth Claire (Schmaucher) Patton. She graduated from high school in California. In 1954 she moved to Oregon and lived in Elgin, Wallowa, Weston and La Grande. She worked at Smith Frozen Foods for 15 years, retiring in 1996. Marjorie was a member

of the Christian Life Center in Elgin. She enjoyed photography of all types. Her family was “her thing,” and she loved spending time with all of them.

Survivors include her children, Donald Lee Thompson of Elgin, Sundae Marie Wood of Elgin and Victor Ray Savage of Pendleton; numerous grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her sons, Frankie Terry Thompson and Jesse James Savage.

DEATH & SERVICE NOTICES

Skip T. Beardsley

Elgin

Skip T. Beardsley, 81, of Elgin, died Oct. 19, 2021, in La Grande. Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Ronald Jenkins

Formerly of La Grande

Ronald Jenkins, 77, formerly of La Grande, died Oct. 18, 2021, at his home in Emmett, Idaho. Arrangements are by Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Halfway.

Larry Murphy

North Powder

Larry Murphy, 64, of North Powder, died Oct. 18, 2021, at Grande Ronde Hospital. Arrangements are by Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home & Cremation Services, Halfway.

Virginia L. Evans

La Grande

Virginia L. Evans, 96, of La Grande, died Oct. 18, 2021, at Grande Ronde Hospital. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Cheryl J. Wagoner

La Grande

Cheryl J. Wagoner, 75, of La Grande, died Oct. 18, 2021, at a local care facility. A viewing will be held from 5-7 p.m. Nov. 3 and a funeral service at 2 p.m. Nov. 6, both at Loveland Funeral Chapel. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

Eddie Cascio

La Grande

Eddie Cascio, 80, of La Grande, died June 17, 2021, in Boise. A virtual memorial service will be held Oct. 23 at 4:30 p.m. via Zoom (ID 849 0734 2216, passcode 1935). Arrangements are by Daniels-Knopp Funeral, Cremation & Life Celebration Center, La Grande.

Frances L. Evers

La Grande

Frances L. Evers, 92, of La Grande, died Oct. 15, 2021, at Grande Ronde Hospital. A celebration of her life will be held Nov. 6 at 10 a.m. at the La Grande American Legion Hall. Casual dress is preferred by the family. Arrangements are by Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD

American Legion Fall Bazaar is Saturday

LA GRANDE — American Legion Auxiliary Unit 43 has its Fall Bazaar from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 23, at the Legion hall, 301 Fir St., La Grande. The public is invited. There will be a wide variety of items and baked goods.

Sign up for next Cove senior meal

COVE — Cove senior lunches are again being served at Founders Hall on the Ascension School grounds on the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

Coffee and tea are available at 11:30 a.m., and lunch is served at noon.

The menu for Tuesday, Nov. 2, is spaghetti with meat sauce, peas and carrots, salad bar, French bread and chocolate cake.

The price is \$5 per meal and reservations are requested to make sure there is enough food for everyone. If you haven't been contacted or wish to participate, call Betsy Arnson at 541-568-4902 or Virginia Fischer at 907-299-6072 by Oct. 26.

Halloween Glo-Party happens tomorrow

JOSEPH — SonRise Art Studio's next Glo-Party will celebrate Halloween early. The class begins at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 22, at the studio, 203 N. Main St., Suite 4, Joseph. The paint used is both glow in the dark and blacklight reactive. Cost for this class is \$40 and includes all supplies, glow-stick jewelry and door prizes. Check the studio's Facebook page for updates.

— *The Observer*

UPCOMING LOCAL SERVICES



Please follow guidelines regarding face coverings and social distancing at all gatherings.

Oct. 22 — PAT LANG: 10 a.m. celebration of life, Union Baptist Church.

Oct. 22 — LYNN PARKER: 2 p.m. graveside service, Grandview Cemetery, La Grande; reception follows at the Grace Place.

Oct. 22 & Oct. 23 — DEXTER HODGE: Oct. 22, 6-8 p.m. visitation, Loveland Funeral Chapel; Oct. 23, 2 p.m. funeral, Loveland Funeral Chapel, La Grande.

Oct. 23 — ERIC BARKER: 11 a.m. memorial service, La Grande First Baptist Church.

Oct. 23 — BILL DURAND: 11 a.m. cele-

bration of life, La Grande Youth for Christ building.

Oct. 23 — MARK KUBIN: noon to 4 p.m. celebration of life, The Barn at Tamarack Springs, Summerville.

Oct. 23 — STEVEN KING: 2 p.m. celebration of life, Island City City Hall.

Oct. 23 — EDDIE CASCIO: 4:30 p.m. virtual memorial service (Zoom ID 849 0734 2216, passcode 1935).

Oct. 30 — SHELIA EVANS: 10 a.m. celebration of life, Island City Lighthouse Pentecostal Church.

Oct. 30 — LARRY ANDERSON: 4 p.m. celebration of life potluck, EOLS Clubhouse, Union.

Nov. 3 & Nov. 6 — CHERYL WAGONER: Nov. 3, 5-7 p.m. viewing; Nov. 6, 2 p.m. funeral service; both at Loveland Funeral Chapel & Crematory, La Grande.

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORT

MONDAY, OCT. 18

2:23 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the first block of Depot Street on a report of a female yelling and causing a disturbance. She was gone by the time police arrived.

4:32 a.m. — A caller reported a transient was sleeping at the La Grande library, 2006 Fourth St., where a shipment was going to be delivered. An officer asked the person to move.

9:57 a.m. — A resident in the area of 73500 Gordon Creek Road, Elgin, reported a theft. A Union County sheriff's deputy made contact and would follow up.

11:35 a.m. — Staff at La Grande High School, 708 K Ave., La Grande, reported a student walked away from school. A Union County sheriff's deputy located him and gave him a ride home.

3:31 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1300 block of Z Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance.

3:59 p.m. — A caller at the Cove School District, 803 Main St., asked to speak to a Union County sheriff's deputy regarding telephonic harassment.

8:32 p.m. — A caller reported a suspicious female on the 300 block of K Avenue, La Grande. Officers responded and gave one person a ride.

8:57 p.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to a residence at Blue Springs Crossing Apartments, 10801 S. Walton Road, Island City, on a report of a person who was experiencing mental illness. The person agreed to meet with mental health providers.

9:31 p.m. — La Grande police responded to the 1500 block of Z Avenue on a report of a domestic disturbance. Officers arrived, and the parties agreed not to talk to each other.

TUESDAY, OCT. 19

6:35 a.m. — La Grande police responded to the La Grande Inn Motel, 2612 Island Ave., on a report of a female who refused to leave. An officer trespassed the person.

11:12 a.m. — A caller reported an attempted burglary at the U.S. Postal Service office at 205 E St., North Powder, and requested extra patrols.

2 p.m. — A caller reported a theft at the The Elgin Station Grill and Bar, 52 N. Eighth Ave. A Union County sheriff's deputy took a report.

3:03 p.m. — A caller

reported a theft at Spruce Street and Monroe Avenue, La Grande. An officer took a report.

3:54 p.m. — A caller reported possible animal neglect at a residence at May

Lane Apartments, 2504 May Lane, La Grande. An animal enforcement officer made contact and will follow up.

4:27 p.m. — La Grande police received a report of a possible assault on the 2200

block of Adams Avenue. An officer took a report.

4:33 p.m. — Union County sheriff's deputies responded to the 1300 block of Division Street, Elgin, for a domestic disturbance.

Patricia Aileen Duffey

June 17, 1944 - October 15, 2021

Patsy “Pat” Duffey of La Grande, happily passed away October, 15, 2021 at the age of 77 years. In her own words, she wants all of her acquaintances and dear friends to know that if you are reading this, she no longer poses a threat.

Pat was born in Baker City, Oregon, on June 17, 1944. After attending and graduating from Saint Francis De Sales Academy, Pat commuted daily to Eastern Oregon College in La Grande, Oregon, where she completed a degree in Biology. She then attended Arizona State University in Tempe, Arizona, where she devoted herself to studying, conducting research, and earning a Doctorate degree in Zoology with an emphasis in Genetics.

In 1972, Pat returned to La Grande and became a highly esteemed and respected professor and Dean of Sciences at Eastern Oregon State College. Pat conducted additional research on genetic influences on cataracts of the eyes with Oregon Health Sciences University. As a professor she had the unique ability to make complex things easily understood.

If you didn't know Pat Duffey, it is certainly too bad for you and those around you. Generous to a fault, always sharing with others, organizing “orphan dinners” for college students during holidays, delivering meals to remote senior citizens, organizing benefit “soup suppers” and concerts with local artists, are just some of the ways Pat gave back to the community.

Pat will be very much missed by family, friends, and the countless number of folks she has helped and positively affected during her lifetime.

Survivors are many and they know exactly who they are.

Pat wanted you to know that at least you got a hopefully interesting story about her by taking the time to read this.

There will not be an after-life celebration because she wanted to attend her own party. She had that party on June 16, 2019 and invited over 400 friends and family. Many attended and she hopes you were one of them.

If you're inclined to donate on her behalf, there are a couple of organizations that were always worthy of Pat's attention - The Humane Association, 3212 Hwy 30, La Grande, OR, 97850 and Shelter from the Storm, 10901 Island Avenue, Island City, OR, 97850.

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



DebbraAnn Mildred Langley

July 24, 2001 - August 10, 2021

DebbraAnn Mildred Langley, 20 years old, was born July 24, 2001 to Novalee Langley and Kent Hampton. She was a bundle of joy to watch grow up into a wonderful person.

During soccer games she was always helping - the person without a shoe, a hurt player or anyone else in need. Her concern for how people felt was important to her and followed her through her whole life.

In early 2010 her mom was diagnosed with cancer. They moved to Henderson, Nevada, for her mom to receive treatments and to have help taking care of DebbraAnn. While in Henderson, she found a connection with the Paradise Seventh Day Adventist Church and their Pathfinders group. They took her in and made sure she was involved in as much as she could. She really enjoyed feeding the homeless every Saturday afternoon. It amazed her that they looked normal and yet so many were hungry. She learned the sign language honor and was able to sign to a man that was on the streets in a wheelchair and deaf. She also “talked” with another person that was deaf in a shopping mall. These were very interesting experiences. The man was shy but lit up like a Christmas tree when she signed to him. Her dad came down for a week to see her each Christmas that she was away.

DebbraAnn loved attending the Hampton Family Christmas parties and dinners held at the La Grande Mavericks as well as at Willow School, where the kids' received gifts and made gingerbread houses, sugar cookies and crafts. She also loved to attend the Hampton Family reunions held at the ranch every second Saturday in July, visiting with family she hadn't seen throughout the year.

When her dad had his leg amputated, Novalee would bring DebbraAnn to the hospital in the Tri-Cities and they would stay with him during his recoveries. She was always a very caring and loving daughter.

She continued with her care for others in many ways, the best being her hugs. Those who knew her best can attest to her

hugs and always telling you, “Hi, how are you!” multiple times in one visit.

DebbraAnn loved animals dearly. She left behind her dog, Little Heart, of 13 years. Little Heart slept with her every night. She had two therapy cats as well. I have never seen two cats allow her to do so much with them. They brought her great joy, peace, and comfort.

She graduated from Union High School June of 2021. The kids she went to school with knew she would stand up for those in need and they will deeply miss her. While attending Union High School she was crowned Homecoming Queen in the fall of 2019. Even though she did not participate in sports, the students voted to honor DebbraAnn with this award because of her support of school sports and sportsmanship behavior. She also she participated in Drama Class.

She was enrolled through an online college to start forensic courses in Florida and was accepted into St. Leo University in Forensic Science. Her plans were set, and she was working with VR and BTI to establish a work history.

On August 10, 2021, DebbraAnn passed away due to complications with her heart while hospitalized in Portland, OR.

The celebration of life for DebbraAnn will be held October 23, 2021, at 3:00 pm at the Baker City Seventh Day Adventist Church, 42171 Chico Road, Baker City, OR 97814. There will be a potluck to follow. This service will include her grandparents Karlee E.E. Langley and Ivan Langley.

If you have an experience or something you would like to share about the life of DebbraAnn please feel free to send an email to nmlangley1974@gmail.com and we will share it at her celebration of life.

The family understands the concerns of Covid. If you do not feel comfortable or not able to attend, we appreciate your thoughts and prayers. Services will be available online at www.bakercityor.adventistchurch.org.

In lieu of flowers a donation may be made to an animal shelter of your choice.

