

Valley Obituaries

Valley Church News

Phyllis A. Giff

Phyllis A. Giff, 86, of Cave Junction, died on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2002 at Rogue Valley Medical Center in Medford.

A memorial service was held on Thursday, Oct. 10 in Hull & Hull Chapel, Grants Pass, with Pastor Mike Filippi officiating. Private inurnment was held at Hillcrest Memorial Park in Grants Pass with Hull & Hull Funeral Directors in charge of arrangements.

It's the family's wish that memorial contributions be made to: Evergreen Elementary School, 520 W. River St., Cave Junction, OR 97523.

Mrs. Giff was born on March 7, 1916 in Churdan, Iowa. In an airplane over Jefferson, Iowa on Dec. 26, 1938, she married Darrel Edwin "Giffy" Giff, who died on July 2, 1992.

She worked for many years as a secretary for Evergreen Elementary School, retiring from there.

For 23 years (22 years with perfect attendance) she was a member of the local chapter, Laureate Beta Beta, of Beta Sigma Phi International Sorority. She had held all the offices of the sorority, including being president several times.

Involved with the Illinois Valley Senior Center for many years, she was in charge of Wednesday Night Bingo until recently, and did a lot of volunteer work for it. During the bingo games on Wednesday, Oct. 9, an impromptu collection netted \$267 in her memory for Evergreen school.

She enjoyed plastic canvas needlework, music, reading, the beach, sorority meetings and activities, and her volunteer work at I.V. Senior Center.

Survivors include two sisters, Betty Smittle, of Albuquerque, N.M., and Deon Jenkins, of White City, Ore.; a brother, Jerry Patrick, of New Mexico; and many nieces and nephews.

'Gene' Vandermark

Eugene "Gene" Vandermark, 80, of Selma died on Monday, Oct. 7, 2002 at his home.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, Oct. 12 at Illinois Valley Funeral Home in Cave Junction, with the Rev. Monty Pope of First Baptist Church of Selma officiating. Private scattering of his ashes by his family followed. Illinois Valley Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

It's the family's wish that memorial contributions be made to: I.V. Open Door, P.O. Box 111, Selma, OR 97538.

Mr. Vandermark was born on April 19, 1922, the second child of Leslie and Clara (Hower) Vandermark, in the same Berwick, Penn. house as his father and grandfather. He is an antecedent of Sgt. Alvin York, a World War I hero.

As a young man he sang in a roving church choir visiting Berwick area churches on Sundays. For four years during World War II he served in the U.S. Army, ending with a rank of sergeant. On June 5, 1943 at McClellan Air Force Base in Sacramento, he married his wife of 59 years, Dora Lee (Dodie) Vandermark, who survives.

After finishing his enlistment in the service they moved to Riverside, Calif., where he worked as a baker, foundry man, plumber, police officer (in California and later in Oregon), and a meat cutter.

In 1972 the Vandermark family moved from Riverside to Selma, where they opened Der Pinxster Hausen Family Restaurant (where Selma

Quick Stop is now) where John Wayne was one of their memorable patrons during the filming of "Rooster Cogburn." After the cafe closed he owned and operated Van's Custom Cutting, and then worked for many valley businesses.

After he retired as a meat cutter the Vandermarks started I.V. Open Door in Selma in 1995. It helps many people in need throughout this area with food and clothing.

He had been a member of Illinois Valley Lions Club. He enjoyed his family, and helping other people.

Surviving are his wife, "Dodie" Vandermark, of Selma; a sister, Dorothy Keifer; two brothers, Ray Vandermark and Roger Vandermark, all of Pennsylvania; three daughters, Frieda Mortan, of Riverside, Vicki Jones, of Selma, and Genie Gilliam, of Brookings, Ore.; 10 grandchildren; numerous great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

'Ed' Murphy

Edward "Ed" James Murphy, 68, of Cave Junction, died on Wednesday, Oct. 9, 2002 at his home.

A memorial service was held on Saturday, Oct. 12 at St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church in Cave Junction, with Father Harry Holwell officiating. Southern Oregon Cremation Services handled arrangements.

It's the family's wish that memorial contributions be made to: Parkinson's Resources of Oregon, 1015 N.E. 22nd Ave., Portland, OR. 972091; or National Kidney Foundation, P.O. Box 15149, Portland, OR 97293-9194, or Illinois Valley Lions Club, P.O. Box 396, Cave Junction, OR 97523.

Mr. Murphy was born on Sept. 5, 1934 in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. He served

in the Canadian Navy from 1954 to '58. In '67 he became a U.S. citizen. In Cave Junction on Dec. 12, '86 he married the former Ladona Crow, who survives.

In 1974 he began installation and repair work for Redwood Telephone Co. in Cave Junction, which sold to C.P. National Phone Co., and then to Alltell Phone Co. He retired in '92. The Murphys owned and operated Murphy's Pub from '87 to '89.

For 25 years he was a member of Illinois Valley Lions Club. He enjoyed attending I.V. High School football games before he was diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease in 1992. He enjoyed hunting and fishing.

Survivors besides his wife, Ladona, of Cave Junction, are a son, Patrick Murphy, of Ukiah, Calif.; five stepsons, Bill Coultas, of Cave Junction, Scott Hoadley, of Selma, Rocky Hoadley, of Bremerton, Wash., Kim Hoadley of Pampano Beach, Fla., and Gary Coultas, of Palm Beach Gardens, Fla.; four stepdaughters, Renee Hults, of Grants Pass, Denise Mustoe, of Cave Junction, Crystal Heath of Sacramento, and Bonnie Lanham, of Bloomington, Ill.; a brother, Charles Murphy, of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada; 20 grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Robert J. Crews

Robert Jerome Crews, 63, of Selma, died on Sunday, Oct. 6, 2002 at his home.

A private service was arranged through Illinois Valley Funeral Home in Cave Junction, with interment at Eagle Point National Cemetery.

Mr. Crews was born on Jan. 7, 1939 in Tonopah, Nev. He served in the U.S. Navy. He retired as a machinist.

There are no known survivors.



Valley Evangelical Free

The theme, "Humility," continued with John 13, where Jesus is shown washing His disciples' feet, work normally done in Jesus' day by a slave.

He modeled Christian humility which means serving others in self-forgetfulness, attention focused on God.

George Washington, committed Christian, once modeled Christian humility in a dramatic way. The Continental Congress was not taking care of its soldiers -- not even paying them. Even their officers were rebellious; Washington met with them.

When his speech didn't move them, he pulled out an encouraging letter from a congressman to read. He seemed confused. The officers began to feel concerned for him. "Gentlemen," he said, "You will permit me to put on my spectacles, for I have not only grown gray, but almost blind in the service of my country."

His officers wept. With this simple act of humility, Washington kept the revolution going. Such is Christian humility.

St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church

The Gospel reading from Matthew describes a wedding feast. Some of those invited do not respond, and some were inappropriately dressed.

The reading concludes, "Many are invited, but few are chosen." In this parable, Jesus

teaches us that being invited to the Kingdom of God does not guarantee admission.

We must be properly disposed to live in the Kingdom, and make a sincere effort to follow God's invitation.

Community Bible

The Praise Team opened service with, "I Will Call Upon the Lord."

Continuing in Genesis 3, Eve was tempted and sinned because she did not trust and obey the commandments of God. Proverbs 30:5 says that the word of God is pure to those who put their trust in Him. God does not want us to add to, nor take away from His holy words as it says in Rev. 22:17, "Let him who hears take the water of life freely, but if anyone adds to these things God will add to him the plagues."

Satan is the father of liars. Eph. 6:11 says to put on the armor of God so that we may stand against the Devil's temptation.

Seventh-day Adventist

"Share Your Faith," a 10-member student group from Milo Adventist Academy was in charge of the worship service. The group has students from California, Oregon and one each from Hong Kong and Serbia.

The program centered around a sermonette by J. R. Colson, based on Psalm 37, and three group readings -- Rejoice in the Lord Always;

The Lord's Prayer, and Light-bearers.

He mentioned four points about God's children in his sermon: Life will have its ups and downs, but they will not fret when evil people succeed in hurting them; they place their trust in the Lord; they delight themselves in the Lord receiving the desires of their hearts as a reward, and they make a complete commitment of their ways to the Lord.

Morgan Maloney played two piano solos; Vincent Liu told the children's story, set in Hong Kong; Laura Severance offered the Prayer of Intercession, and Sarah Williamson the benediction.

Immanuel United Methodist

Pastor David Goodrich's lesson was from Matthew 22:1-14. Jesus told a parable in 22:1: "The kingdom of God may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son." No one came. He sent out his servants to invite all the people that they met. As was the custom, all were given robes to wear. One of the guests did not wear one, and the king had him ejected.

The invitation is broad, not excluding anyone, but it is not a come-as-you-are party. All the troubled, confused, mortal, sick or those in deep distress and the sinful are invited. Jesus went about the countryside preaching, "The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent and turn to God."

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18285 Redwood Hwy.
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Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday:
Music Practice 7 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study . 7:30 p.m.

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH
Pastor Charles Bridges
P.O. Box 645
5181 Holland Loop
Non-Denominational
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship 6 p.m.
Tuesday Bible Study . . . 7 p.m.
Women's Prayer/Wed. 9:30 a.m.
Men's Prayer Meeting
1st & 3rd Saturday 8 a.m.
Parents' Night Out
First Friday . . . 6-9 p.m.
Youth Group Sunday . . . 6 p.m.
Corner Dick George/
Holland Loop

ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH
407 W. River Street, C.J.
592-3658
Father Harry Holwell
Parochial Vicar
Masses Sunday 9:00 a.m.
DST April-Oct. 10:00 a.m.
Standard Time Nov.-March
Daily Mass Tues.-Fri. - 9:00 a.m.
First Saturday . . . 10:00 a.m.
Holy Days - 9:00 a.m./7:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday . . . 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
East River Street & Lewis Court
Sunday Worship 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:00 a.m.
Pastor Peg Harvey-Marose
592-2147
Church Phone: 592-2290

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
113 S. Caves Avenue, C.J.
Evangelical &
Non-Denominational
Sunday School .9:15-10:15 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .10:30 a.m.
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and Toddler
Nursery Provided
Dr. Don Blackburn
Pastor
Community Christian Academy

FRIENDS CHURCH OF THE VALLEY
The Friends Center
Hymn Mtg. Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
Worship, Praise Songs -11 a.m.
319 S. Redwood Hwy.
Cave Junction
Phone 592-5175
Mid-week "Life Groups"
Phone for Time & Location
Everyone Is Welcome

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
451 S. Junction Avenue
Phone 592-3956
Pastor Mark McLean
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study

ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
25904 N. Redwood Highway
Sunday Services:
1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday - 10 a.m.
4th Sunday 5:30 p.m.
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SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
265 S. Old Stage Road
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Sat.
Church Service 11:00 a.m.
Sat.
Prayer & Praise -
7:00 p.m. Tues.
Pastor Harold Premdas
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Madrone Adventist School
592-3330
Sr. Teacher: Mrs. Amy
Whitchurch
592-6604

IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
220 Watkins Ph. 592-3876
Pastor David Goodrich
Sunday School 9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship 9:15 a.m.
Child-care for small children
Potluck/Bible Study
Thursday 6:00 p.m.
WEB Page:
http://Immanuel.UMC.net

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
207 Junction Avenue, C.J.
Sacrament Meet. 9:00 a.m.
Sunday School 10:20 a.m.
Priesthood, Relief Soc. -
11:10 a.m.
Bishop Jay Bennett
1st Counselor Charles Rigby
2nd Counselor Denny Swift

VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
Meeting at
Immanuel United Methodist
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service . . . 11:00 a.m.
Wednesday Soup Supper/
Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
Pastor Austin Patty
592-6160 or 479-1319

ILLINOIS VALLEY PRAISE CENTER
28569 Redwood Hwy., Cave Jct.
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Home Bible Study/Youth Group
Non-Denominational
Bible Teaching Church
Pastor Doug Wilson 592-4872

TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH
10300 Takilma Road
Pastor Dan Robinson
Bible Study/Prayer Time -
9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Thursday Bible Study . . 7 p.m.

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Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
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At 987 Caves Highway
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Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday 7:00 p.m.
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