

# Obituaries

## Brenton W. Monsma

Cave Junction resident Brenton W. Monsma, a volunteer with Illinois Valley Fire District (IVFD) and a retired newspaper and radio station employee and entrepreneur, died at home Dec. 2, 2006.

A memorial service is set for Wednesday, Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. at Takilma Bible Church. Remembrances can be made to MDA-ALS Division, 4800 S.W. Macadam Ave. #205, Portland OR 97329; or Takilma Bible Church, 10343 Takilma Road, Cave Junction OR 97523.

Mr. Monsma was born May 4, 1940 in Grand Rapids, Mich., where he graduated high school and attended Grand Valley State College. He enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1959 and served aboard the USS "Canberra," a guided missile cruiser, in the Mediterranean. After his honorable discharge in 1963, he worked as circulation manager of the "Virginia Pilot" newspaper in Newport until 1970.

He then returned to Grand Rapids in 1971 and married his wife, Trudy. He also began working that year as circulation manager for the "Detroit Free

Press." After 20 years there, he moved to Fond du Lac, Wis., where he worked in radio advertising shortly before starting two successful businesses, "Flyway Advertising" and "Flyway Coffee Classics." He retired in May 2004 and moved to Cave Junction.

Mr. Monsma enjoyed Barbership singing, having sung with "Hometown Harmony Tradition" in Wisconsin for 11 years, and "Rogue Valley Harmonizers" in Medford for two years. He was an active member of Takilma Bible Church. He also was a volunteer with IVFD, where he was able to fulfill his desire to be of service to the community.

His hobbies included hunting, fishing and outdoor walks. He began to enjoy fly-tying and woodworking before the onset of ALS (Lou Gehrig Disease) made it too difficult for him to pursue his favorite pastimes. ALS progressed unusually rapidly, and his passing peacefully is seen by his family as a blessing.

Mr. Monsma is survived by his wife, Trudy Monsma, of Cave Junction; six children, Linda VancieZande, of Fond du Lac, John Scholte, of San Diego, Ron Scholte, of Gobles,

Mich., Deborah Whitehurst, of Virginia Beach, Va., LeAnn Bunting, of Chesapeake, Va., and Davie Monsma, of Cave Junction; five sisters, Lorain Krenecki, of Santa Rosa, Calif., Mary Daling, of Jenison, Mich., Kathy VanVliet, of Newaygo, Mich., Patricia Hoogesheide, of Pierson, Mich., and Crystal Harris, of Pierson; 17 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

He was preceded in death by his father, William L. Monsma, on Nov. 26, 2006; and his mother, Margaret Monsma, in 2001; and a brother, Norman Monsma, in 1972.

Southern Oregon Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

## 'Marion' Clarke

Well-known Illinois Valley resident Edith Marion Clarke, 87, of O'Brien, died at her home on Saturday, Dec. 9, 2006.

In accordance with her wishes, there will be no formal funeral service. Southern Oregon Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Remembrances can be made to Josephine County Sheriff's Office volunteer

Search And Rescue unit.

She was born Edith Marion Levy on Dec. 2, 1919 in the Borough of Bronx in New York City. She moved to Oakland, Calif. in 1940, and worked at the Oakland Army Base from 1941 to 1956. She married Jim Clarke in 1946.

Mrs. Clarke worked in a school lunch program until she and her husband moved to O'Brien in 1970.

She was employed as a teller and escrow clerk at the former Western Bank in Cave Junction from 1970 to 1975. From 1975 to 1979 she served the city of Cave Junction as treasurer, city clerk, recorder and Municipal Court judge, and then semiretired.

In April 1983 she was hired as Senior Meal Site coordinator in Cave Junction, working for Josephine County Community Services. Most recently, until suffering a broken hip, she worked in the Josephine County Bldg. in Cave Junction for the county Community Justice Office.

"Marion" was president of Illinois Valley Senior Center for three years, and was known for her sense of humor. Noted her family, "She was an inspiration to many and will be missed by her family, friends and others whose lives she touched."

She is survived by a daughter, Judy Engstrom, of Grants Pass; two sons, Stephen Clarke, of Dayton, Ohio, and Ken Clarke, of O'Brien; seven grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, who was extremely active in county Search And Rescue, in July 1988.

## Sherri Lynn Rager-Hansen

Kerby resident Sherri Lynn Rager-Hansen, 42, died Nov. 12, 2006 at Rogue Valley Medical Center, Medford.

A memorial gathering will be held at a later date. Details are available from Dave Hansen at 592-3355.

She was born on Feb. 19, 1964 in Columbus, Ohio. She worked there for Principal Insurance Co. for 10 years, and was a homemaker.

With her fiancé, Dave Hansen, she enjoyed viewing Nascar racing and football, and dancing and cooking.

She is survived by her fiancé, of Kerby; her parents,

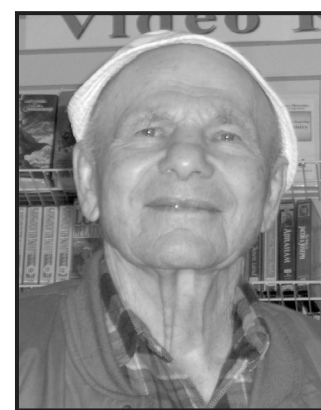
Jim & Kathy Chapman; a son, Ryan Rager; a brother, Jim Chapman; and a sister, Tracy Chapman, all of Canal Winchester, Ohio; and a daughter, Kirstin Rager.

Grants Pass Funeral Alternatives is in charge of arrangements.

*"Forever in Love,  
Eternally  
Together."  
From Soulmate  
Dave Hansen.*



## George W. Lenz



George William Lenz, 82, of Cave Junction, died Wednesday, Dec. 6, 2006 at his church on Caves Avenue. Arrangements are pending at Illinois Valley Funeral Home.

*We love you, George. We will miss all the hugs, jokes, candy -- and especially the joy and love -- that you shared with us daily.*

*Love, Kathryn & Heather  
Abiding in The Vine*

## James H. Fillyaw

James Henry Fillyaw, 81, of Cave Junction, died Thursday, Nov. 30, 2006 at his home.

Mr. Fillyaw was born June 12, 1925 in Cedar Creek, N. Carolina. On June 6, 1943 he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served during World War II, the Korean War, and Vietnam War. He was honorably discharged on Jan. 22, 1964.

On Sept. 26, 1986 in Escondido, Calif. he married Mary "Betty" Wilfong. They lived in Poway, Calif. until moving to Cave Junction on Nov. 25, 1989.

He was a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the American Legion.

Mr. Fillyaw especially enjoyed woodworking. He built miniature wagons, for which he won awards while in California; and one wagon, which went to the Josephine County Historical Society. He also built grandfather clocks and mantle clocks, which have found homes around the world.

Besides his wife, Mary "Betty" Fillyaw, of Cave Junction; survivors include a daughter, Gayle Werden, of Selma; a sister, Rosa Johnson, of North Dartmouth, Mass.; one grandchild; and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death

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# Church News

## Seventh-day Adventist Church, Cave Junction

Pastor Verne and Patti Hyland are praising the Lord as they return to their caring congregation in Cave Junction.

Pastor Hyland had surgery at Loma Linda University Medical Center in Loma Linda, Calif., but came through in a miraculous way due to the prayers of the faithful congregation in Cave Junction. He and his wife are thankful for such dedicated Prayer Warriors.

The choir is busy practicing for the Christmas Program that will be held in the church sanctuary Saturday, Dec. 23 at 11 a.m. The community can attend and stay for the special Christmas dinner.

Choir practice will be Wednesday at 7 p.m. in the Teen Room.

Thursday, Dec. 14 at 6:30 p.m. will mark the Madrone Adventist School musical Christmas Program in the church sanctuary, 265 S. Old Stage Road, Cave Junction. Anyone wishing to attend this lovely, traditional Christmas program will be welcome. There will be refreshments afterward.

Several parties are scheduled; phone the church at 592-3218, if interested in attending any.

Pastor David Schmidt from Portland gave an inspiring message Saturday, Dec. 2, for the worship service. He appreciated the active church member par-

ticipation.

Pastor Hyland will lead the congregation in Bible study Saturday, Dec. 9 at 11 a.m. His message on "Doom and Gloom, What is Next?" will stimulate thinking and bring all closer to the Saving Lord.

Prayer and Praise Service will be held Tuesday at 7 p.m. in the Teen Room.

Those who wish to join a women's or men's Bible study group should phone the church at 592-3218.

## St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church

On Dec. 17, the third Sunday of Advent, the Gospel reading will be from Luke, Chapter 3, (in part): Now the people were filled with expectation, and all were asking in their hearts whether John [the Baptist] might be the Christ.

John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you

with water, but one mightier than I is coming. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire."

## St. Patrick, Legion of Mary, Patrician Discussion Group

The group will meet Monday, Dec. 18 at 6:30 p.m. in Father Elliott Center at the church to discuss "Liturgical Abuses."

"Just listen, or add to the conversation. Great refreshments." For more information phone 597-4366.

## Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

John the Baptist had a mission to "straighten the way" for the coming of Jesus, as in Biblical times, if an important person was coming to town, a crew literally straightened and smoothed the road for them.

John told people of a savior who would be their salvation; he was straightening the way for Jesus.

# Places of Worship

## FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SELMA

18285 Redwood Hwy.  
P.O. Box 279, Selma, OR  
97538 - 597-4169  
Pastor Monty Pope  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship - 11 a.m.  
Sunday evening: 7 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study  
7 p.m.  
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## BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

P.O. Box 645  
5181 Holland Loop  
Non-Denominational  
Pastor Frank Salerni  
Children's Church-10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship  
10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study  
7 p.m.  
Wednesday Youth Group  
7 p.m.  
Youth Group Leaders  
Lance & Judy Baker  
Women's Prayer Thursday  
9:30 a.m.  
Men's Prayer Meeting  
1st & 3rd Saturday - 8 a.m.  
Corner Dick George/  
Holland Loop  
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## BAHA' I FAITH

Phone 592-5234  
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## ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25904 N. Redwood Hwy.  
Sunday Services:  
1st three Sundays 11 a.m.  
Fourth Sunday 5 p.m.  
592-2006  
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## FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

451 S. Junction Avenue  
592-3956  
Pastor Mark McLean  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.  
Adult Bible Study  
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## ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH

407 W. River Street, CJ  
592-3658  
Father Harry Holwell  
Parochial Vicar  
Masses - Sunday  
Daylight Saving - 9 a.m.  
Standard Time - 10 a.m.  
Daily Mass Tues. - Fri. 9 a.m.  
First Saturday - 10 a.m.  
Holy Days - 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturday - 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.  
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## COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

113 S. Caves Avenue, CJ  
Evangelical &  
Non-Denominational  
Sunday School 9:15-10:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Prayer & Praise - 6 p.m.  
Jr. Church, Infant & Toddler  
Nursery Provided  
Youth Awana - K to 6th grade  
Wednesday - 6:15 to 8 p.m.  
Pastor Dave Gordon  
Community Christian Academy  
Preschool to 12th grade  
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## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

265 S. Old Stage Road  
Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m.  
Sat. Church Service  
11 a.m. Sat.  
Prayer & Praise  
7 p.m. Tues.  
Pastor Vern Hyland  
Church 592-3218  
Everyone Welcome  
Madrone Adventist School  
592-3330  
Sr. Teacher: Mrs. Amy  
Whitchurch  
592-6604  
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## IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

200 Watkins Ph. 592-3876  
Pastor Charles Chase  
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship - 9:15 a.m.  
Child-care for small children  
Web Page:  
<http://UMCimmanuel.org>  
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## GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

East River Street  
& Lewis Court  
Pastor Don Torala  
Sunday Worship - 9 a.m.  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Tuesday Youth group - 6 p.m.  
Church Phone: 592-2290  
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## FIRST LOVE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

New Horizons in  
God's Kingdom  
139 Caves Ave. Front door  
592-4775  
Worship Schedule  
Sunday Adult Bible Study 10  
a.m.  
Sunday Worship  
10:45 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
Sunday School & Nursery  
10:45 a.m.  
Wed. Service 7 p.m.  
Thurs. "First Love Kitchen"  
Free Hot Meal 11:30 a.m.  
Sat. "Free Bread" 11 a.m.  
Phone for  
Bible College Classes  
Pastors:  
Bob & Virginia Kurko  
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## ILLINOIS VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

2110 Caves Hwy.  
Stanley W. Smith, Pastor  
Sunday Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
& 6:00 p.m.  
Bible Study - Thursday 6 p.m.  
Family Night  
- Thursday 6 to 7:30 p.m. -  
A Southern Baptist Ministry  
Phone: 592-3029  
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## VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

498 Laurel Road  
P.O. Box 1248  
Pastor Les Knapp  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Ladies Bible Study  
Mon. 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Studies  
Thursday 6 p.m.  
[evfree@frontiernet.net](mailto:evfree@frontiernet.net)  
592-6160  
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## CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

207 Junction Avenue, CJ  
Priesthood, Relief Soc.  
9 a.m.  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Sacrament Meet - 10:50 a.m.  
Bishop Charles Rigby  
1st Counselor Dennis Swift  
2nd Counselor Walt Farmer  
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## ILLINOIS VALLEY PRAISE CENTER

28569 Redwood Hwy.  
Cave Junction  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.  
Thursday evening - 7 p.m.  
Home Bible Study/Youth  
Group  
Non-Denominational  
Bible Teaching Church  
Pastor Doug Wilson  
592-4872  
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## TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH

10300 Takilma Road  
Pastor Dan Robinson  
Bible Study/Prayer Time  
9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship  
11 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study  
7 p.m.  
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## ILLINOIS VALLEY PENTECOSTALS

Bible Study & Fellowship  
987 1/2 Caves Hwy.  
2 p.m. Sunday  
7:30 p.m. Thursday  
592-4716  
Individual Bible Studies  
available  
Pastor Wendell Owens  
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## Senior Nutrition Menu

Sponsored by

**True Value**  
592-3562

Meals are served in the  
CJ County Bldg.

592-2126, 474-5440

## FRIDAY, DEC. 15

### BEEF POT PIE

Oven buttermilk biscuit  
Winter mix vegetables  
Harvard beets  
Mixed fruit cup

## MONDAY, DEC. 18

### KING RANCH CHICKEN BAKE

Cut green beans  
Creamy coleslaw  
Oat bran roll  
Lemon pudding

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 20

### CHICKEN CHOP SUEY w/ RICE

Green peas  
Sunshine salad mold  
Potato wheat roll  
Blushing pears

