

Obituaries

Perry Lee Pullen

Perry Lee Pullen, age 76, of Cave Junction, died Monday, April 18, 2011 at his home.

A funeral service was held Saturday, April 23, 2011 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Cave Junction. Private interment will be in Laurel Cemetery in Cave Junction. Illinois Valley Funeral Directors are in charge of arrangements.

Please sign the family guest book at www.since1928hull.com.

Perry was born February 2, 1935 in Portland, Ore. to Perry & Ellen Pullen. From 1958 to 1961 he served in the United States Army as a Medic. For 40 years he worked for Rough and Ready Sawmill in Cave Junction. He lived the majority of his life in Cave Junction.

Perry was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of

Latter-day Saints.

He enjoyed bowling, woodworking, golfing and fishing.

Survivors include his wife of 21 years, Cathy Pullen of Cave Junction, Ore.; four daughters, Kathleen Gould of Glide, Ore., Maureen Lemire of Roseburg, Ore., and Tawana Grabarz and Kelly Bethke, both of Cave Junction, Ore.; two sons, Perry Loring Pullen of Hillsboro, Ore. and Thomas "Chuck" Yattaw of Springfield, Ore.; and a sister, Wanda Pullen of Stayton, Ore..

He was preceded in death by his first wife of 27 years, Ernestine Pullen; his parents, Ellen Pullen and Perry Leroy Pullen; two brothers, Clarence and Edward Pullen; and a sister Deanna Turnbull.

His whistling and singing will be missed!

Larry W. Nelson

Larry Wayne Nelson, 65, of Kerby died Tuesday, April 12, 2011 at Rogue Valley Medical Center.

Services will be announced at a later date.

Grants Pass Funeral Alternatives is in charge of arrangements.

To send an online condolence, go to www.grantsspassfunerals.com.

He was born November 19, 1945 in Evansville, Indiana to Earl and Ida Nelson. In the early 1960s he traveled from Oregon to Minnesota on horseback. He served in the U.S. Navy from 1964 to 1968. He married Maureen Rund, the mother of his three children. They later divorced. He moved to the Illinois Valley in 1973. He did gold mining for the last 10 years. He enjoyed fishing and going

out to Nacho Mama's with his dog "Mr. Blue".

He is survived by his son, Cody Nelson of Kerby; two daughters Tina Marie Rund Nelson of Willow Creek, Calif. and Sarah Rund Nelson of Eugene, Ore.; two brothers, Tim and Paul Nelson, both of Minnesota; a sister Wanda Farlander of Evansville, Indiana; and 12 grandchildren.

Richard C. Yarbrough

Richard C. Yarbrough, 62, died on April 14, 2011 in Fortuna, Calif.

Richard was born on September 19, 1948 in Grants Pass, Ore., graduated from Illinois Valley High School, and was a former Cave Junction resident for 30 years. He was All-state football in 1968.

Richard was married to Gail Yarbrough, and was a very fine

father and hard worker and a Christian. He was a loader operator for 35 years.

Survivors include his wife Gail Yarbrough of Fortuna, Calif.; brothers Douglas Yarbrough of Cave Junction, Howard Yarbrough of Selma, and Graig Yarbrough of Colorado Springs, Colo.; sons Rick, Dustin and Bob; daughters Amy and Sandy; and numerous grandchildren.

Preceding him in death were his father Howard L. Yarbrough; mother Alberta Miller, and daughter Tesa Lockhart.

Richard will be cremated, and the service will be held at Laurel Cemetery. The date and time of service is unknown at this time but will be published in a future issue of the Illinois Valley News.

Birth Announcements



A daughter, Breeze Alizabeth Walker, was born on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at Three Rivers Community Hospital in Grants Pass, Ore.

The proud parents are Travis Walker and Melissa Barker of Cave Junction.

Breeze was 7 pounds, 12 ounces and 18 inches long at birth.

Breeze has a sister Danielle Barker, age 8; and her grandparents are Gwen and Doug Walker from Baltimore, Ohio and Kathie and the late Bruce Barker of Cave Junction.

Great grandparents are Esther Jeffrey from Lancaster, Ohio; Dolores Davidson from Granada Hills, Calif.; and Clarence Barker from Kerby.

Letters to the Editor

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(Editor's Note: Views and commentary, including statements made as fact are strictly those of the letter writers)

Gas & Taxes

We need oil to produce gas, right? Well, I don't see the problem. We have plenty of oil. Is oil the reason for the wars we continue to lose? Not to mention how many men and women who put their lives on the line for this country only to be treated unfairly. When our vets return wounded, crippled or mental, they should be 100% cared for, including their family, for the rest of their life.

I say bring our troops home and protect our borders. And when we are attacked or threatened, quit screwing around and go after the intruders and bring them to military

justice, without political bs. Including the druggies. Let's quit the poor this, poor that. Don't tell me we can't find Bin Laden. That's another lie. Home first. Quit spending our money on bs.

Lottery: As I recall the vote for the lottery was a vote to finance schools for better education in Oregon. Not state parks! More money down the drain. Government, government, government. They're way too big. We're being treated like small children. Let's quit driving for a while. Don't use your lights, etc. And watch a miracle pop up, like lower prices at the pump and at the light switch.

The government is supposed to be looking out for us, but people seem to think we can't control them, but we can. We all need to stand up and make it happen. If we don't become part of the solution, we become part of the problem. Remember, they need us. And when we quit, then they'll listen.

Budgets, Less Spending, Cuts: It's really simple... If you don't have the money, don't write the check! Buy and spend on what you need first, save what you have left (if any). Save for the rainy day. This is old-fashioned, but it works.

Servers at restaurants, lounges, etc. are told that

government taxes are based on a percentage of what you should have received on your shift. What right does I.R. S. or anyone have to tell a server they're to pay taxes on their tips. People, wake up, are you scared of them? Don't be, I'm not. Stand up and be accounted before it's past too late.

Change? Yeah... from bad to much worse. Beginning with this so-called president and the entire Congress. And let us not forget the lobbyists. "Money mongers". They're a bad joke. Wake up people, vote them out now! Again, as it was and should always be, "We the people" because together we stand, divided we fall.

We're all in this crap and lies together. And if it's going to change for us and for the better, we must stand together, like it or not. It's the only way. Question...why do most protests begin in the East? Why not here in the West. It seems to me that we have a better range of thinking about what's good for everyone. But the West seems to be the followers. Let's lead the pack. Let's get together.

Let's quit driving unless it's necessary. I know it will hurt but look what's coming. A freight train.

I've heard more times that protesting doesn't do any good. Also why vote. Or do you like to just do what you're told.

Sound familiar? Not standing together is what got us in this mess in the first place. It has to start some place. Why not here? Remember, if we're not part of the solution, then we're part of the problem. We're being regulated to death. Turn your lights off, don't drive until you have to. Grow your own garden, it's fun, and good food too. Individually and/or groups, protest in public places. Choose freedom, not slavery. You may be surprised who will join you.

Have you seen the bums in the valley relieving themselves out in public? Well, I have, and done something about it. How about you? What about our children, grandchildren seeing that too? We don't have to allow that filth in our valley. What kind of message is that to our visitors too?

We have the ultimate power to stop all of this bs. Wake up America. Let's get our house in order. Sending our jobs overseas is just plain stupid. Bring the jobs back home to put us back to work. Keep our tax dollars here. Home first. And bring our troops home. Protect all of our borders. Take care of our vets. Men and women put their lives on the line for our freedom. The money sent over there should be for the wounded, and should be cared for, for the rest of their life including their family. Think

of the billions sent to help others and we're sinking fast.

Wake up people before it's too late. Where's a cop when we need them. Well, tax dollars are spent foolishly someplace else. Government should be run like our home. If you don't have the money, don't write the check.

We have the oil, technology, the power in numbers so let's demand it stays here or we all stay put. Let them know we mean it. They're nothing without us. Remember, home first. God bless us all.

**Ken LeGaux
Selma**

Crosswalk Petition

Thank you for all the support on the crosswalk from Taylor's and Dairy Queen, it is working. I have received phone calls and e-mails from ODOT on this matter. Now Cave Junction has a petition which I received 4 p.m. on April 21 that has to be submitted by 4 p.m. on April 27. As of April 25, 2011, I have more than 40 signatures. The petition is at the Red Barn Laundromat.

Help Cave Junction to be heard - phone ODOT at 541-774-6299 for a safer crosswalk and thanks.

From Lawrence & Michael Coker, Cave Junction

Frontier increase petitions

I received my Frontier's proposed 7.9% "Residential access line rate increase notice" letter last month. If a review is not requested by 500 or at least 10% of Frontier's customers the rate increase will become effective on May 18, 2011 without a review.

We, who oppose this must submit signed petitions to the Public Utility Commission of Oregon on or before May 8, 2011 to request the commission to review and hopefully deny Frontier's rate request.

There are petitions circulating throughout Illinois Valley; in Cave Junction: at Century 21 Harris & Taylor at 103 N. Redwood Hwy., or Southern Oregon Outreach Foods (SOOF) at 193 South Caves Ave.; in Selma: Lake Selmac Resort, Mary's Mini Mart, Selmac Auto Service, GP Hardwoods Plus or call Jim at 541-471-4942 for copies.

My Frontier bill includes numerous other charges and fees totaling over 41% of my total bill each month, to add another 7.9% not in this current economy, and not with the level of service Frontier is currently providing.

Jim Rafferty - Selma

Here, There & Everywhere

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Wild River Pizza - Open Mic. 6-8pm Contact Todd Kaberline or Jim Nolan 54-646-0975 or 541-660-8572

APRIL 30

Ladies' Fundraising Tea, Lunch and Silent Auction (Benefiting the Pregnancy Center of the Illinois Valley) Guest Speaker: Sherry Knapp Saturday, April 30, 2011 11am - 2pm Tickets are \$10 per person (in advance) Location: Bridgeview Church - 5181 Holland Loop For tickets and more information, call 592-6058

APRIL 29

Hope Mountain Barter Faire Benefit and Volunteer round-up with Dianne Patterson, Freedom, Saratone and Al Torre. Come on down with the family April 29 from 6-? at the Takilma Community Building

APRIL 30

Downtown Cave Junction Clean Up - 9:00am to 12:00pm. Meet at the County Building and

we will divide into groups and pick up litter and pull weeds in the downtown business area. For more info call Ann Padgett.

MAY 1

Illinois River Trail - Hike the spectacular Illinois River Trail from Briggs Creek to York Creek Botanical Area with Siskiyou Project ecologist Rich Nawa. This hike features Kalmiopsis leachiana, a beautiful Rhododendron-like shrub discovered by botanist Lilla Leach in 1930. Numerous wild flowers, trees, and shrubs will test our identification skills. Bring your camera, lunch, water and snacks for this all day 6 mile (total) moderate hike on mostly level ground. Meet 10:00 AM near the coffee kiosk at Ray's Food Store parking lot in Selma. Call Rich at 541-218-7973 for more information.

MAY 2

OPEN HOUSE - from 2-4pm. The House of Prayer and Share the Wealth Library will be opening in Cave Junction at 210 Redwood

Highway. Hours: Monday 8-11am; Tuesday 2:30-4:30; Wednesday 8-11am. For more info call Kathy 541-596-2421 Or to donate books contact Judy 541-592-3523

MAY 5

Free Movie Night Sponsored by the IVLL - at the County Building. 5:00pm & 7:00pm are the show times. Donations are welcome at the door. Snack bar available also. Any questions, call Shelly Davis 541-415-1718 or Karen L. 541-592-9427

MAY 7

St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church presents High Tea, Silent Auction & door prizes. Time: 1:00pm Cost: \$10.00 per ticket. Location: Elliot Center - 407 W. River Street. For tickets or more info call Joyce Fisher 541-592-6288 or Cheryl DeBrett 541-592-6550

MAY 7

Men of the Illinois Valley - You are invited to "The Breakfast of Champions", the last

men's breakfast before summer break, May 7th, 2011 @ 8 AM Community Bible Church, 113 S. Caves Ave., CJ. This is a chance for you to invite your son, grandson, friend, next door neighbor to meet with other men who love the Lord. Please call 541-592-6132 or 541-592-3896 (please leave a message) by 5 PM 5/5, so we can plan. Thank you.

MAY 11

Aglow International (Interdenominational Christian Ministry in 172 Nations) New Day & New Time - 2nd Wednesday at 10:00am. 208 Redwood Hwy. Our Mission: To help restore and mobilize women around the world to promote gender reconciliation in the Body of Christ to amplify awareness of global concerns from a Biblical perspective. See you May 11th.

MAY 21

Clothes Give-Away!! 9:00am to 5:00pm at the Takilma Bible Church 10343 Takilma Road.



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