

Ethel Louise Morris

June 1951 - Feb. 2016



Ethel Louise Morris, 64, of Baker City passed away at her residence on Feb. 16, 2016 in Baker City, Ore. Arrangements are pending through Gray's West & Co.

Ethel was born on June 12, 1951 to Leonard and Anna (Taylor) Stokes in Macon, Missouri. On March 10, 1968, Ethel married Phillip Morris in Las Vegas, Nevada.

She worked as a Comptroller and eventually became the Vice President of Winpac Lane Corporation for 11 years; in 2007 she retired. Her career was one of her greatest accomplishments. Ethel enjoyed gardening, fishing, sewing, and reading when she had time and was a member of the Missouri Grange Quilting Club.

Ethel is survived by her son Christopher Morris of Riverside, Calif., her daughter Cheryl Thompson of Hesperia, Calif., her sister-in-law Ann Arends and brother-in-law Robert Arends of Baker City. She is also survived by six grandchildren.

Her husband, Phillip Morris, preceded her in death.

Memorial contributions may be made to Heart and Home Hospice of Baker City through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave. Baker City, OR. 97814

To light a candle in honor of Ethel, please visit: www.grayswest.com

Donald David Ross

Feb. 1943 - Jan. 2016



Donald David Ross passed early morning on Jan. 24, 2016 at his home in Unity with his family and wife Bonnie at his side.

He was born in Bend, Ore. to Merrill Fielding and Jesse Marie Ross on Feb. 12, 1943. He was the youngest of three children. Dave grew up in Bend and started working for Les Schwab in 1965 when there were only eight stores. He transferred to Moscow, Idaho as an assistant manager. Over time he was promoted to the manager of the Ontario, Ore. store. Before moving to Ontario, he met Carol Larson and they were married.

At the time Dave began working in Ontario, the store was selling around \$30,000 in tires and by the time he retired the store was selling \$300,000 in tires. He eventually became the zone manager and helped many men be successful store managers. He loved his job and was very good at it. One of his secret loves was flying the Les Schwab jet to and from his manager meetings in Prineville. The pilot, Bob Miller, taught Dave how to fly and he loved it!

Dave cared about people! He wasn't just a boss or a mentor, but a friend. He touched the lives of many people and one friend described him as the "gold standard" for a good person. One of his bookkeepers described him as the "best boss." Dave loved spending time with those he loved, always had time to listen, and you could always count on him to give support to everyone.

He also had a great sense of humor! There were countless stories of pranks Dave and the guys played on one another (one being the carp in the water tank). As a dad he was always ready for a good joke with his kids, not to mention his wife! He carried humor with him and will forever be loved and remembered for it by his family.

When Dave was close to retirement another Schwab friend was selling some property in Unity, he ended up purchasing the land and never looked back. He loved living in Unity as it provided all the things he loved to do, hunting, fishing, and being outdoors.

Dave and Carol had three children: Tom Ross who works for Columbia Helicopters in Portland, Oregon, Amy Collins who is raising a family in Vale, Oregon, and Shawn Ross who works for Les Schwab in Ontario, OR.

Dave is survived by his wife Bonnie, his three children Tom (Terri), Amy (Jesse), and Shawn (Raylyn), six grandchildren: Sierra, Ava, Cody and Drew, Haisley and Lexie. He is also survived by his brother Ron Ross (Pat) of Eugene and his sister Marilyn Mastrud (Harry) of Bend, as well as three nieces and three nephews.

He was preceded in death by his wife Carol in 2006.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Unity at the Burnt River School on March 19, 2016 at 11 a.m. Dinner will follow for friends and family at the Unity Community Hall. Those wishing to make memorial contributions in memory of Donald David Ross may make them to the Wounded Warrior Project through Gray's West & Co. 1500 Dewey Ave. Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle for Dave, please visit: www.grayswestco.com

Leona Mae DeRoest

Aug. 1924 - Feb. 2016



Leona Mae DeRoest, 91, of Baker City died Feb. 25, 2016 at Saint Alphonsus Medical Center after a brief illness. Recitation of the Holy Rosary will be Thursday, March 3, 2016 at 7 p.m. at Gray's West & Company Pioneer Chapel with public visitation from 4-7 p.m.. A Mass of Christian Burial on March 4, 2016 at 2 p.m. will be held at St. Francis de Sales Cathedral. Father Robert Greiner will officiate.

Leona was born in Arkansas City, Kansas on Aug. 23, 1924. Her young life was spent in Kansas before moving to Oregon where she spent her teen years. The family lived in Meham where her father shot a deer making this the first time the children had tasted meat.

Leona married Francis E. DeRoest in Baker City on Aug. 12, 1949. They met while working at Oregon Lumber Company. Leona later worked for many years at Ma-Bell Telephone Company as an operator until she retired. They lived at the same address on Sumpter Stage since 1951. Leona enjoyed fishing and had many good fishing tales to relate. She also enjoyed ceramics, knitting, and spending time with her family and friends.

She is survived by four children. Katherine Larios in Oregon City, Carolyn Monteyne in Spring, Texas, David DeRoest in Sumpter, and Francis DeRoest Jr. in Powell Butte. She is also survived by 13 grandchildren, 10 great grandchildren, and one great-great grandchild.

She was preceded in death by an infant son in 1962, her husband Francis in 2004, a great granddaughter in 2009 and a great grandson in 2013.

The family would like to give a special thank you to Danny and Sandi Huisman for their care, love and support for Leona over the last two years.

Memorial contributions may be made out to the charity of your choice.

To light a candle in memory of Leona, please visit www.grayswestco.com.

Glenna Joann Bond

March 1929 - Feb. 2016



Glenna Joann Bond, 86, of Vale, Oregon went home to be with the Lord on Feb. 22, 2016.

She was born on March 6, 1929, in Albany, Oregon. She graduated from Albany High School in 1947 and married her high school sweetheart, Russ Bond, on Dec. 23, 1947 at her parent's home in Albany. They had two sons, Gordon and Bruce. The family lived in Albany, Mikkalo, Ontario, Arizona, California and moved to Vale in 1963.

She faithfully served the Lord for all of her adult life, she loved the church and her church family, helping with crafts at Sunday School and Vacation Bible School. Glenna had a few outside jobs, but her passion was taking care of her husband, being a homemaker and raising her family. She was happy to babysit all eight grandchildren and several great-grandchildren and they all feel privileged to have had that time with her. She loved "puttering" in her yard and could not work everyone.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Austin and Mickey Hall, and sisters Trudy Simpson and Virginia Ausmus Wolf.

She is survived by Russ, her husband of 68 years, sons and their wives Gordon and Jennet Bond of Richland, Oregon and Bruce and Judy Bond of Vale, Oregon; eight grandchildren and their families including 11 great grandchildren and also many special nieces and nephews.

A traditional funeral service will be held at the Vale Christian Church at 1 p.m. (MST) on Friday, March 4, 2016 with interment at Valley View Cemetery in Vale. Friends are invited to join the family for a dinner that will follow the interment at Vale Christian Church.

A special thank you to Encompass Home Health and Heart n Home Hospice for their compassionate care.

Memorial donations may be made to Sunrise Christian Church in Ontario, Vale Christian Church, or Hope Pregnancy Center through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home PO Box 543 Halfway, OR 97834. Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Richard Hansen

Sept. 1943 - Feb. 2016



Richard Hansen, 72, died at his home Feb. 22, surrounded by his family. A Celebration of Life will be held at the Baker City Elks Lodge at 5 p.m. Sunday March, 6. A dinner including some of Richards' favorite dishes will be provided.

Richard was born Sept. 30, 1943 in Chicago Illinois to Irvin Reed and Marie Thompson. Richard was raised in Portland Oregon and graduated from David Douglas High School in 1962.

Richard met the love of his life, Connie, on a blind date set up by his cousin. They married Oct. 25, 1964 and had three daughters together.

Richard worked 15 years for King Fisher Mattress in Portland. He then began his career in maintenance until 2006 where he retired from the 5-J school district in Baker City.

Richard lived in Oregon his whole life. Places he lived included towns all over Portland, Vernonia, Baker City and Haines Oregon.

Richard enjoyed gardening, landscaping, woodwork and drawing. He loved the spring, sunflowers and animals.

Oct 1, 2015 Richard was recognized as an honorable team captain at his grandson's football game. Richard was always there when you needed him. He never quit fighting and was a very proud man. He loved his family and they will always remember him for saying, "Love you more."

Richard was preceded in death by his grandfather David M. Thompson, his parents and his sister Rosalie Easter Glassford.

Richard is survived by his loving wife of 51 years Connie Hansen, daughters Terri Hansen of Baker City, Tina and husband Alberto Gonzalez of Portland, Connie and Chad Cox of Baker City; grandchildren Sherryne Hansen, Kayla Pollock, Angellia Andrade, Rose Andrade, Dianne Pollock, Kimberly Garcia, and David Weiss and 13 great grandchildren.

Those who would like to make a donation in memory of Richard, may do so to Heart and Home Hospice or Knight Cancer Institute in Portland Oregon through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, PO Box 543, Halfway, OR 97834. Online Condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com

Gregory Kip Taylor

April 1952 - Feb. 2016



Gregory Kip Taylor, 63, of Ivel, Ky., went to be with his Lord and savior on Feb. 6, 2016. He died from a heart attack during the night. He was working out of Goodman, Kan., at the time of his death. He had been a natural gas pipeline inspector for the past six or so years.

He traveled all across the United States on many projects, some of which took months to complete. Prior to this project, his most recent ones had been in Connecticut, North Dakota and Colorado. He often worked six days a week, and certainly met countless people wherever he went. He was a very hardworking, intelligent, outgoing man with a generous spirit. He had accepted the Lord into his life and devoutly tithed to the church and encouraged others to do so, too. He felt truly, abundantly blessed.

He was so proud of his three daughters, Nicole, Mindy and Katy, and his four grandsons, Mitchell, Kaden, Aiden and Chaz. He was given the opportunity over Thanksgiving to fly them out to Denver and all be together for the holiday. This had meant the world to him. They even found the time to have professional portraits done while they were there, and what beautiful pictures they now have to cherish.

He worked in many different fields throughout his life, including long haul trucking, selling commodities, and working at Hanel Lumber Mill in Hood River. He enjoyed the love of reading and constantly had a book in hand on his days off. He looked forward to time off in between jobs to come back to Ivel and relax and see his friends.

Kip was born April 26, 1952, in Baker City, Ore., to Robert Leonard Taylor and Cheryl Jayne Sieg. He attended grade schools in Portland, Ore., Union, Ore., and Baker City. He enjoyed the outdoors, hunting, fishing, boating, waterskiing and camping with family and friends. He graduated from high school in Halfway, Ore., in 1970, and attended Treasure Valley Community College in Ontario, Ore.

He is survived by daughters Nicole Hatfield of Douglas, Wyo., Mindy Greco of Rock Hill, S.C., and Katy Taylor of Bend, Ore.; grandsons Mitchell and Kaden Hatfield and Aiden and Chaz Greco; sisters Kim Cantrell (Tim) and Jackie Heck (Dave) of Hood River; nephews Zach Cantrell (Rana) of Post Falls, Idaho, and Chuck Cantrell (Karrie) of Hood River, and Tyler Schmidt of Hood River; nieces Sarah Muenzer (Chad) of Parkdale, Ashley Murillo (Fernando) of Odell, and Andrea Heck of Hood River; great-nephews Danny McKaig, Cody Cantrell, Chad Muenzer Jr.; and great-nieces Natasha and Sierra Muenzer, Kyli Cantrell, Chloe and Briana Cantrell, Hailee Heck and Ava Murillo. He is also survived by six cousins in and around Baker City. He was preceded in death by his mother, Jayne Christjansen, his brother, Fred Schmidt Jr., his aunt and uncle, Zona and F.B. Clarke, his grandmother, Nell Colton Grant, and his grandfathers, Nelson Sieg and Thomas Grant.

A celebration of life was held in Martin, Ky., on Feb. 13, 2016, with graveside service at Davidson Memorial Gardens in Ivel. Father Bob of St. Martha's Catholic Church officiated.



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