

Milo Pope

July 1936 - Feb. 2016

Milo Pope, 79, died on Wednesday, Feb. 24 at his home in Baker City. Per his request no funeral services will be held, however, a private family memorial will be observed this March.

Milo was born July 18, 1936 to Milo and Grace Pope in Hoquiam, Wash. He was the fourth of five children.

Milo was raised in Sutherlin and John Day where he attended Grant Union High School graduating with the class of 1955. It was in high school that he met his beautiful bride Gayl Kilpatrick, whom he loved dearly all of his days.

They were married in John Day on Nov. 20, 1958. Together they had three children, Marcia, Kevin, and Milo. He began his law career in Idaho in 1961. Milo practiced in Twin Falls, Idaho, Milton Freewater, and John Day. In 1988 Milo was elected circuit court judge of Grant and Baker Counties and subsequently moved to Baker City.

Milo enjoyed his time on the bench. He brought his empathetic and no-nonsense sentiments, which have left a lasting impression on friends and colleagues alike.

After retiring, Milo continued to practice law, a profession that he enjoyed greatly, and acted as a mentor to many. He had great respect for the law, gave of his talents in many great ways and was dedicated to providing the best possible counsel to all those he served.

Milo was an avid reader and a lover of language, often correcting his children's and grandchildren's grammar, or asking how to spell novel words. He was always curious about the world. Milo loved people and his community; serving on city council, and writing many letters to the editor. He enjoyed woodworking, a skill he admired in his father, and often spent time with friends in his shop.

Milo is preceded in death by his parents, Grace and Milo Pope, and his wife Gayl Kilpatrick Pope.

He is survived by his siblings Beverly Nordquist, Bruce Pope, and Nila Palmer; his children Marcia Winter and husband Bill Winter, Kevin Pope, and Milo Dion Pope, and his grandchildren Genevieve Ehart,

Rebecca Adair, Melissa Winter, Thomas Ehart, Bill Winter, and Mike Ehart.

Those who would like to make a donation in memory of Milo may do so to the Open Door breakfast program in Baker City, or to New Hope for Eastern Oregon Animals through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, Po Box 543, Halfway OR, 97834. Online condolences can be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com



Gary Marlette

March 1939 - Feb. 2016

Gary Marlette, a long-time Baker City attorney, passed away at his home on Feb. 16, 2016. A Celebration of Gary's Life will be held on Thursday, March 24, 2016 at 2 p.m. at the Baker Elks Club located at 1896 Second Street in Baker City.

He was born March 25, 1939, and raised in Redfield, South Dakota with his two sisters, Valerie and Patricia. He was a popular student at Redfield High School and will be remembered there as a football and track star. Gary was also in chorus and glee club, as well as serving in several student organizations. He was always ready to try something new, especially if it was a little crazy. He was quite a joke teller, as well as a prankster.

After graduating from high school in 1957, Gary's family moved to Longview, Wash., where he attended St. Martin's College in Lacey, Wash. In 1962, he met JoAnn Berks, and they were married in 1964. That same year he enrolled in night school at Northwestern School of Law. Northwestern later merged with Lewis & Clark College and he graduated in 1968 from Northwestern School of Law of Lewis & Clark College. In 1968 Gary and JoAnn, and their infant son, Andy, moved to Baker where he practiced law, retiring in 2007.

Gary loved Baker County and all that it had to offer. He was an avid bird hunter, and, at the first snowfall, would head to the breaks of the Snake River with his hunting dog "Jack." His family does not remember a time that he didn't return with his bird limit. There are many fond memories of the family summers on the Snake River, enjoying skiing, boating, fishing and camping.

Gary will be remembered as a fun-loving man, always enthusiastically engaging people, enjoying being the life of the party, and, if there were a deck of cards around, was more than willing to show his many card tricks.

Gary is survived by his wife, JoAnn; daughter, Carolyn Kimpton and her husband, David; granddaughters, Madelyn Jo, Sydney Ann and Katie Grace; daughter, Molly Eekhoff and her husband, Adam; and daughter-in-law, Kaz Marlette; sister Patricia Boynton of Deer Park, Washington.

He was preceded in death by his son, Andy Marlette; his parents, Frank and Dora Marlette; and, his oldest sister, Valerie O'Brien.

For those who would like to make a donation in Gary's memory, the family suggests The Compassionate Friends through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home PO Box 543 Halfway, OR 97834. On line condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com



Pamela Mae Addington

March 1950 - March 2016

Pamela Mae Addington, 65, died March 3, 2016 surrounded by her family. A private burial will be held in Summerville at Pamela's Uncle Donald Fincher's property. This will be for close friends and family only. A Memorial Service will be held on Wednesday, March 9, 2016 at 1 p.m. at the Summerville Baptist Church. Friends are invited to join the family for a luncheon that will be provided following the service.

Pamela was born and raised in La Grande March 4, 1950 to parents John Alfred and Doris Irene (Baker) Fincher. She graduated high school in La Grande 1968.

Pamela married Michael B. Addington in Elgin on July 8, 1987. They made their first home in Summerville and their last in Elgin.

She worked different jobs throughout her life, most rewarding was when she was a veterinarian assistant in Hermiston because of her great love of animals. She also worked as a nurses aid and a homemaker. She owned a small business called "The Computer Tutor" in Elgin where she was a computer technician for 17 years.

Pamela enjoyed riding horses, camping, baking and cooking, crocheting, fishing and computers. She loved the summer so she could garden, but she especially loved learning and trying new things and technologies.

A memorable date in Pamela's life includes the day she accepted Jesus as her personal savior April 25, 1990. She will always be remembered for saying, "You can't cast out the flesh and you can't disciple a demon." Pamela loved Jesus. She was always helping other people and truly knew the gift of giving as well as being concerned about a person's salvation.

Pamela was preceded in death by her daughter Tineka Rae Fincher; grandparents Alfred Fincher and Josie Marker, Cecil Baker and Alice Holt and her parents.

Pamela is survived by her husband of 28 years, Michael of Elgin, sons Philip and his wife Tracy of Montgomery, New York and Crispin and his wife Lynda of Kingston Washington; brother Timothy Lee Fincher and his partner Dennis Stillman of Stanfield; sister Trudy Myrland and husband Curtis of Boise, Idaho; nephew Kenneth J Kalmbach and his wife Amanda, and their children Kadence Lynn and Brody Wayne Kalmbach all of Woodland, Washington and Christopher Chandler of Pendleton; grandchildren Jamie, Kristen, Nathan, Zachary, Binyam and Kaytlin.

For those who would like to make a donation in Pamela's memory, the family suggests the Summerville Baptist Church or Heart and Home Hospice through Tami's Pine Valley Funeral Home, PO Box 543, Halfway OR 97834. Online condolences may be shared at www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com



Jack Richard Schoening

Oct. 1927 - Jan. 2016

Jack Richard Schoening, 88, of Baker City passed away in his home Jan. 24, 2016. A memorial service will be held Tuesday March 22, 2016 at 11 a.m. at Gray's West & Co Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Avenue in Baker City with Pastor Katy Nicole of The First Presbyterian Church of Baker City officiating.

Jack was born at home on Oct. 16, 1927 to Emil J. Schoening and Ethel L. (Chapman) Schoening at 2 a.m. with Dr. Carl Amick attending. He went to school in Loup City and graduated from Loup City High School in 1945. Shortly after graduation, he entered the U.S. Army. He attended the University of Wyoming at Laramie for six months, a specialized training program before entering active duty. He received all active duty training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma and was transferred to Tokyo, Japan where he played the french horn in the Army band that was assigned to General MacArthur's General Headquarters. He returned home in February 1947 and was discharged with the rank of Sergeant or T3. Upon discharge, he spent one year at Kearney State University before transferring to Colorado A&M at Fort Collins, Colorado.

Jack received a Bachelor degree in Forest Management from Colorado A&M (now Colorado State University) with distinction. He became a member of Xi Sigma Pi. He started his career with Shasta Forest Company in Redding, California and finished that employment as manager of a 70,000-acre tract. In 1960, Jack was employed by U.S. Plywood Corporation in Anderson, California doing general forestry work and contract logging supervision. He then went to work in 1965 for Weyerhaeuser Company in Tacoma, Wash. where he spent six years in land and timber purchases, sales and exchanges in the United States.

In 1971, he became woods manager for the Weyerhaeuser Vail - Mc Donald 500,000 acre tree farm headquartered in Chehalis, Wash. Jack accepted a promotion in 1972 to Timberland Manager with responsibilities in two operations, Coos Bay and Springfield, Ore. with a total acreage of 480,000. His next move was to the Far East as General Manager and Director of two timber concessions on the east coast of Borneo, Indonesia with a total area of 1,724,000 acres. He finished his Far East tour late in 1976 as Director of Operations in Malaysia, Philippines and Indonesia. He returned as Wood Manager on the Longview, Wash. operations, which was the largest Weyerhaeuser operation in the United States.

Jack faced his greatest challenge when Weyerhaeuser had 68,000 acres of ownership destroyed by the Mt. St. Helens eruption on May 18, 1980. As Wood Manager, he had the total responsibility to restore the roads and railroads, salvage the timber that had been blown down or heat killed standing and replanting all of the land following salvage and those plantations that were killed. Within 26 months, 638 miles of roads were repaired and built and over this period of time, 850 million board feet of timber was salvaged, which would build 85,000 three-bedroom homes. Over 45,500 acres were planted with 18.4 million seedlings.

Following the entire salvage effort, approximately 23,000 acres were exchanged with the U.S. Forest Service to create the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument. As George Weyerhaeuser said, "At no time in history had an industrial organization been affected to such an extent by a volcano or any other natural disaster."

Sometime after the St. Helens event, Jack assumed more responsibility, not just as Wood Manager, but marketing logs as well. He was very instrumental in managing the important transition from old-growth logging to the highly mechanized second-growth logging and he always considered a good working relationship with the labor unions was critical to a successful, highly efficient operation.

Jack retired from Weyerhaeuser in 1991, after 27 years with Weyerhaeuser; he was awarded the Weyerhaeuser President's Special Award for outstanding work five times while with the company. He joined the Society of America Foresters in 1951 and continued membership with them until his death.

Jack Schoening is preceded in death by his parents, Emil and Ethel, his sister Velma, and his wife Nancy. He leaves three children, Randall Schoening and Joachim Schoening both of Eugene, Ore. and his daughter Kate Brooks of Baker City, Ore. He also leaves six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

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



Pamela Lee Sherman

Sept. 1946 - March 2016

Pamela Lee Sherman, 69, of Baker City passed away March 3, 2016 while staying in Ontario, Ore. A private viewing was held at Gray's West & Company on March 4, 2016.

Pamela was born on Sept. 21, 1946 in Baker City to James A. Sherman and Dorothy Jean Stewart. She graduated from Baker High School and later moved to Springfield to work at the University of Oregon for 26 years, however, due to bad health, Pamela relocated back to Baker City in 2001. Pamela had a great love for working in her yards and her art. She was a member of the Elkhorn Baptist Church.

She is survived by her brother James R. Sherman and his wife Joan of Baker City, two nephews, James D. Sherman of Loveland, Colorado and Eric Sherman of Baker City, one niece, Tanya Handy of Baker City, five great nieces and many cousins.

Pamela is preceded in death by her parents, Dorothy and James A. Sherman and an infant step brother, Earl Clayton.

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

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