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Harold Glen Ammons was born Aug. 6, 1937, in Spencerville, Okla., to Wallace P. and Jessie M (Frazier) Ammons. Harold passed away on Feb. 17, 2021, at Mid-Columbia Medical Center in The Dalles, Ore. He had been a resident of the Oregon Veteran's Home in The Dalles since December 2018.

Harold moved with his family from Oklahoma at age 5. The family settled in Mayville, Ore., where Harold attended grades 1-8 at Mayville Grade School; he graduated from Condon High School in 1956. He joined the U.S. Army in 1959 and returned to Condon, Ore., after his two years of service. He began working at Burns Bros. Grocery in Condon, where he met his wife Kathryn Lou Boyer (Burns). Harold and Kathryn Lou were married in March 1965 and he also became a parent to Debby and Dan Boyer.

Harold later worked for John Deere in Condon and in Pendleton, Ore., for several years. He retired twice from his sales position with Bob Stone Subaru in The Dalles. Harold had a loyal customer base and many people in the area would only talk to Harold when they were ready for a new car. Car sales was his calling; he enjoyed working with people and remained friends with customers past his retirement. During this time, he spent most of his time driving, delivering cars from Condon to Pendleton, and Madras or The Dalles area.

Harold was a devoted member of the Condon Elks Lodge, and he loved golf, watching bull riding, and listening to western music. He was also enormously proud of his family Choctaw heritage. Harold will always be remembered for his goodness, kindness, and devotion to his family, particularly his grandchildren, who he helped raise.

Harold is survived by his stepdaughter, Debra Boyer (George Yeannakis) of Seattle, Wash., grandchildren Thea Yeannakis, Gretchen, Rachel, and Seth Boyer, and great-grandchildren Brooke Yeannakis (daughter of Thea) Sydney Boyer (daughter of Seth Boyer) and Cormac Porter (son of Rachel Boyer). He is also survived by his brother Jim Ammons (DuAnn) of Summerville, Ore., and sister Patsy

Moffit (Dennis) of Pendleton, and many nieces and nephews who adored him, and his sister and brother-in-law, Sue and Gary Miller of Condon.

Harold was preceded in death by his wife, Kathryn Lou Ammons (2005), his stepson, James Daniel Boyer (2013), and his father, mother, and sisters, Helen Owen and Sue Tolan.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made to Condon Elks Lodge No. 1869 and St. John's Catholic Church in Condon.

Due to COVID-19, a graveside service will be held later in the spring. Sweeney Mortuary of Condon is in care of arrangements. You may sign the online condolence book at www.sweeneymortuary.com.

Memorial Day headstone deadlines approaching

Gorge area funeral homes have important deadlines coming up for clients wanting a headstone placed for a loved one in time for Memorial Day.

At Anderson's Tribute Center, Hood River and The

Dalles, the deadline for in stock stone selections is March 26; the deadline for specialty stone selections has passed. "The deadline means the piece has been created, approved and paid for by the designated date," said a press release.

Military markers are also available, but the process is taking longer due to COVID-19. Discharge paperwork (DD214) is needed to get started. Call 541-386-1000 (Hood River) or 541-296-2600 (The Dalles) for more information.

Gardner Funeral Home, White Salmon, and Columbia Hills Memorial Chapel, Goldendale, do not have specific deadlines for ordering headstones in time for a Memorial Day placement. However, Derek and Domonique Krentz and Victoria Lara said headstones may take several months to complete and ordering early is highly encouraged.

Spencer, Libby and Powell, of The Dalles, can be reached for their deadlines at 541-296-3234.

DEATHS AND SERVICES

Patricia Ann von Borstel, age 91, a resident of The Dalles, Ore., died Feb. 1, 2021. A private funeral Mass and public graveside service were held Feb. 27 at Grass Valley Cemetery. Spencer, Libby & Powell is in care of arrangements.

Billie Jean Paasch died Feb. 21, 2021, at the Hood River Care Center in Hood River, Ore. Billie was born on March 14, 1927, and was 87 years of age at the time of his passing. An urn placement will be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, March 4 at Mt. View Cemetery, 1235 Tucker Road, Hood River. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center,

Hood River. Visit www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com to leave a note of condolence for the family.

Teresa R. Bibby, age 68, a resident of Grass Valley Ore., died at a Bend hospital Feb. 23, 2021. Spencer, Libby and Powell Funeral Home is in care of arrangements.

Ann Stearns, 89, of Lyle, Wash., died Feb. 23, 2021, at the Vancouver Hospital of cancer. A memorial service will be held at Gateway Church in The Dalles March 13 at 1 p.m., followed by an ash scattering ceremony at 3 p.m. at 57 Mott Road, Lyle.

Alice Thompson died Feb. 24, 2021, in The Dalles, Ore. Alice was born on June 6, 1932, and was 88 years of age

at the time of her passing. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center Celilo Chapel, The Dalles. Visit www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com to leave a note of condolence for the family.

Gerald "Jerry" Phillips Prinzing died Feb. 25, 2021, at his Hood River, Ore., home. Jerry was born March 20, 1933, and was 87 years of age at the time of his passing. Services are pending at this time and will be announced soon. Arrangements are under the direction of Anderson's Tribute Center, Hood River. Visit www.AndersonsTributeCenter.com to leave a note of condolence for the family.

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