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David Alan Turner

Dec. 6, 1979 – June 8, 2015

Dave Turner passed away at his home in Keizer at the age of 35.

Dave grew up in Tillamook on a dairy farm where his love for dirt bikes started at age 3. He went on to compete in freestyle motocross at the age of 19, traveling around the U.S. and inventing a trick called the Turn Table.

In 2001 Dave had a bad crash, having his left leg amputated below the knee. He went on to compete at X Games in 2010 in the adaptive class, again in 2013. He also competed in Adaptive SnoCross in 2011 and 2013, winning a bronze medal. After that Dave and his wife Tabitha purchased a house in Keizer in 2013. In 2014 Dave started Turner Transport LLC, hauling cars and trailers. Dave was looking forward to the arrival of his son Tred Turner in August.

He was preceded in death by his paternal and maternal

grandparents Dale and Helen Turner, Harold and Hazel Clark. Surviving David are his wife Tabitha Turner, unborn son Tred, daughter Brynn,

mother Eileen Clark, father Jack Turner, stepmother Gayle Turner, sisters Bille Lea (Mike) Guthrie, Danielle (Lee) Bingman, Nieces

Katelin, Rachel, Brooke, Madison, Chloe and Sophia, Nephews Cayden and Weston, and numerous friends.

Services will be held at Albany Motocross Track, 33648 Berry Drive NE in Albany on June 22 at 1 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations would be appreciated at <http://www.gofundme.com/wa2yhns>. Arrangements are by Keizer Funeral Chapel.



Turner



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Top: Officer Andrew Phelps and Glen Clason share a laugh at Monday's Keizer City Council meeting, where Phelps was honored for saving Clason's life. Above: Tammy and Glen Clason pose with Andrew Phelps, standing next to wife Lauren while holding daughter Alexia, 2, and son Ryder, 4.

not be here if not for (Phelps doing CPR). The medics are obviously our heroes too, but he would not have survived if not for officer Phelps."

Once Phelps entered the house, instincts kicked in.

"I'm a former lifeguard so I've been through a lot of training," he said. "You see the signs of symptoms you recognize, so you fall back on your training and react."

Phelps called the hospital several times to check on Glen's condition, then met him after the discharge.

"It was fantastic to see him," Phelps said. "It was emotional for him. We developed a bond."

Tammy recalled a thought going through her mind over

and over as Phelps administered CPR to her husband.

"Because of officer Phelps, we got to celebrate our 33rd wedding anniversary the next month," Tammy said. "It was one of my nightmares when I watched him laying on that floor. I kept telling him, 'Next month is our 33rd anniversary and I can't celebrate it alone.' Thanks to Andrew, or officer Phelps, I didn't have to do it alone."

While he got the ribbon, Phelps shared the credit with medics.

"There was a lot of great support," he said. "Everything we do is to respond to help people. We all come together as a team and do the best job we can."

Officer honored for saving life

By CRAIG MURPHY
Of the Keizertimes

The first time Keizer Police Department Officer Andrew Phelps met the Clason family, it was not a good situation.

Tammy Clason had called 9-1-1 on March 1 because her husband, 60-year-old Glen Clason, wasn't breathing.

Phelps was the first responder to the call and administered CPR until medics from the Keizer Fire District arrived.

Eight days later Phelps met the family again at their home – this time after Glen was healthy and discharged from the hospital.

"He asked if we were open to him coming over to the house and checking on him," Tammy recalled Monday. "I said, 'Please do. I need to give you a great big hug. I've been wanting to give you a big hug for eight days.' I was willing to hunt him down if he didn't call me first. I couldn't wait to give him a hug."

Phelps was honored by police chief John Teague at Monday night's Keizer City Council meeting. His family as well as fellow officers were on hand as Phelps was given a lifesaving ribbon. Fire chief Jeff Cowan with the Keizer Fire District was also present to offer his congratulations.

Glen Clason enjoyed Monday's interaction with the man who saved his life.

"I told him, you can say thank you to a waitress, so saying thank you to him is not even close to enough," Glen said. "It's way more than I even have words for."

Phelps was honored and humbled by the award and for a chance to interact once again with the Clasons.

"It feels fantastic," Phelps said. "We try to help people every day. There are rare opportunities when the timing is right and you can be there to help somebody when they need you the most. That's what happened that day."

Glen doesn't remember much about March 1 or the week after that.

"The only thing I remember is my heart was racing, which it has since I was a kid," Glen said. "(Tammy) got me aspirin and had me sit in a chair. I turned around and fell over. I sat in my computer chair and apparently I fell face forward on my desk. She did everything until (Phelps) got there."

Tammy had noticed Glen was holding his hand on his heart.

"I asked him what's going on and he said, 'My heart is racing,'" Tammy said. "I told him to sit down and here's two baby aspirin. At that moment, he went face first on his computer desk and started sliding across. I thought it sounded like he was snoring, but I found out later it was the sound of all the oxygen leaving his body. I was holding him and reaching for the phone. 9-1-1 was amazing. They were telling me to get him on the floor."

"Just at that moment officer Phelps burst through that front door," she added. "He just took over. It was absolutely amazing. Glen would

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