

OBITUARIES

Gregory Kershul

Seaside

May 9, 1925 — June 6, 2016



Gregory Kershul, 91, of Seaside, died Monday, June 6, 2016, in Seaside. He was born May 9, 1925, in Anaconda, Montana, the son of Joseph and Josephine (Africh) Kershul.

He graduated from Anaconda High School in 1943, and served in the Army Air Force, 117th AACSS SQD, for three years during World War II in the European and Mediterranean theaters. He graduated from the University of Montana with a degree in business organization and management.

On June 17, 1947, he married Patricia L. Lavin from Conrad, Montana. They moved to Dallas, Oregon, in 1950 and operated the Majestic and Rio Theaters. In 1952, Greg became the manager of the Park Plaza Apartments in Portland, Oregon.

In 1954 he and Pat moved to Seaside, where he managed a private fish hatchery on the North Fork of the Necanicum River. In 1955, they purchased the Sunset Drive-in Theater in Gearhart, Oregon, and in 1959, purchased the Times Theater in Seaside, Oregon.

He was a member of the Sunset Empire Amateur Radio Club, a lifetime member of the University of Montana Alumni Association, a lifetime member of the Seaside Elks Lodge No. 1748, a member of the American Legion Post No. 99 for

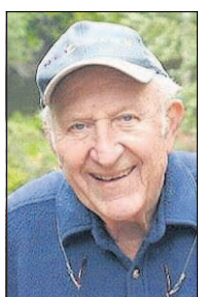
62 years, and a member of the American Relay League, amateur call sign K7OKL.

He was chief photographer for the Seaside Police Department from 1988 to 1994, and a lifelong active outdoorsman. He was very happy to have a street named after him in Gearhart, Oregon — Kershul Circle. His experience of a lifetime was riding in the cockpit of the Concorde supersonic airplane between New York and London, arranged for him by his daughter, Kris.

His wife, Pat, predeceased him on Sept. 10, 1994. Survivors include his children, Kristine Kershul of Seattle, Washington, Bill and Dee Kershul of Colbert, Washington, and Patty (Kershul) and Mark Bowman of Beaverton, Oregon; grandchildren Cassandra (Bowman) Stone and Blake Bowman of Beaverton; as well as nieces and nephews in Illinois, Idaho, Connecticut, and Colorado. A brother, Dr. Victor W. Kershul, preceded him in death in 2009. He had a very dear companion, Lennice Nichols of Gearhart, Oregon.

A memorial service is to be held at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Seaside on Friday, June 17, at 11 a.m.

Hughes-Ransom Mortuary & Crematory in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements. Go to www.hughes-ransom.com to share memories and sign the guest book.



Gregory Kershul

Wayne Jay Olmscheid

Principal

July 1, 1927 — June 4, 2016



Wayne Jay Olmscheid, 88, of Astoria, died on June 4, 2016, in Astoria.

He was born July 1, 1927, to Joseph and Eleanor Junis Fisher Olmscheid in Fargo, North Dakota. Wayne lived in Fargo through seventh grade, when the family moved to Seattle, Washington. He graduated from Broadway High School in Seattle.

Wayne served in the U.S. Marine Corps during the final years of World War II. He worked for Fred Meyer in Portland, Oregon, for a number of years, becoming a store manager.

In 1953, Mr. Olmscheid attained a bachelor's degree from the University of Portland in secondary education, followed by a master's degree in education in 1961.

In September 1954, Wayne commenced what became a 33-year career in education. He coached and taught in Athena, Oregon, for three years before becoming principal there. In 1965, Wayne became principal at Capt. Robert Gray School in Astoria. Three years later he opened John Jacob Astor, when it became an elementary school. He continued to administrate there until his retirement in 1987.

Wayne was active in the Elks and Kiwanis Club for many years. He also belonged to a number of professional organizations. He was a lifelong sports fan, and enjoyed reading and keeping

up on current events. He enjoyed his home and maintaining his automobiles.

Wayne was joined in marriage for nearly 57 years with his wife, Betty. Wayne and Betty Nicholson Olmscheid wed May 11, 1954, in Vancouver, Washington. She passed away in April 2011, Wayne by her side, at their home in Astoria.

Wayne is survived by his brother's children, Amelia Coffey Olmscheid of Portland, Oregon, Theresa Olmscheid of Sacramento, California, and Junis Olmscheid of Gabian, France, and their families; three sisters-in-law and their husbands, Becky and Danny Cotter of Hillview, Illinois, and Bonnie and Donnie Strowmat and Penny Jo and Ethan Cox, all of White Hall, Illinois; and three nieces and four nephews.

He was preceded in death by his brother and his wife, Don and Mary Clare Olmscheid, his sister-in-law and her husband, Glenna and Bob Killebrew, a niece and a nephew.

At Wayne's request, no services will be held. A private burial will be in the Pine Tree Cemetery in Hillview, Illinois. Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of one's choice.

Ocean View Funeral & Cremation Service is in charge of the arrangements. An online guestbook may be signed at www.OceanViewAstoria.com



Wayne Olmscheid

Northwest tribal leaders highlight risks of oil trains

By GILLIAN FLACCUS
Associated Press

MOSIER — Leaders of several Pacific Northwest tribes gathered Thursday near the site of last week's fiery oil train wreck in Oregon to condemn the shipping of fossil fuels through the Columbia River Gorge, a scenic homeland and sacred fishing ground for the Yakama Nation and others over the millennia.

"We do not want fossil fuels at all coming through the Columbia River Gorge — at all," said Yakama Nation Chairman JoDe Goudy. "We truly see what is at hand. ... We are sacrificing and putting at risk the long-term benefit and well-being of future generations, our children, our grandchildren, those yet to come."

A 96-car train carrying volatile crude oil from the Northern Plains' Bakken region to Tacoma, Washington, derailed June 3 along the Columbia

River, which forms most of the boundary between Washington and Oregon. No one was hurt, but four cars caught fire, prompting the evacuation of a nearby school, forcing the closure of an interstate, and enraging local officials and residents. Some of the oil made it to the river, where it was captured by absorbent booms, officials said.

The Yakama and other tribes have opposed the movement of oil and other fossil fuels through the Columbia Gorge, a canyon carved out of the region's volcanic rock by the river and by violent Ice Age floods. Oil trains pose grave threats to public safety, the environment and their treaty-reserved fishing rights, the tribes say.

Union Pacific Railroad spokesman Justin Jacobs said the company takes the concerns seriously, but the railroad is federally obligated to transport crude oil and other commodities for its customers. Davis Yellowash Wash-

ines, chairman of the Yakama Nation general council, rang a bell before leading the group in what he called a "messenger song," which the tribe used to honor a small bird whose arrival signified the return of the spring salmon run in the Columbia River each year.

"This is his song that we use," Washines said. "It's a messenger song and I hope that from this day the message gets

stronger. This is for the land, the water, the children."

The tribal leaders said they were especially sad to be gathering to discuss the derailment on the 161st anniversary of the U.S. government's treaty with the Yakamas, an event that was to be marked with a weekend of celebrations including a parade and powwow. The pollution caused by oil spills threatens the fishing rights reserved in the treaty, the tribe said.

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