

OBITUARY

Lillian Louise Nimmo

Astoria

Aug. 25, 1928 — March 5, 2017

Lillian passed from this life to her eternal home in heaven on March 5, 2017, surrounded by friends and family. She is now walking on streets of gold, and often said it will be the greatest reunion of all time. Her love of the Lord was shown in every aspect of her life.

Lillian was born Aug. 25, 1928, to John and Anna Laurila in Clatskanie, Oregon. She attended school in Quincy, Oregon, and Clatskanie, Oregon. She graduated in 1946 from Clatskanie High School. After high school, she worked in numerous canneries in Astoria before moving to California with several of her cousins. In 1957, she enrolled in dental nursing school in San Francisco, California. She worked for several dentists in California and Astoria, Oregon.

In 1959 she met the love of her life, Clarence Nimmo, a U.S. Navy chief. They were married on April 9, 1960. He had seven years left in the Navy, so they resided in Astoria and Oakland, and his last tour was in San Diego. In 1967, a newborn baby boy came into their life. She was blessed, and enjoyed being a stay-at-home mom.

She loved to travel, making four trips to the Holy Land and two trips to Norway. Lillian was raised in the Apostolic Lutheran Church, but began going to Peace Lutheran Church in 1998. She was a member of the Astoria Elks Lodge No. 180 (and was their chaplain for many

years), the Astoria Moose Lodge and the Veterans of Foreign Wars women's auxiliary.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents and her brother. Lillian is survived by her son, Lewis Nimmo, and his wife, Holly. She is also survived by her granddaughter, Ashley Nimmo, who she enjoyed babysitting, going on trips with her and most recently, just talking. She is also survived by two nieces, Anne Dixon and her husband, Scott, and Kathryn Cone and her husband, Clay. She has two grandnieces, Tiffany Dixon and Sarahia Steadman-Berkana. She also has two grandnephews, Gabriel Steadman and his wife, Tonia, and Nicholaus Steadman. She also has several great-great nieces

and nephews, Alexander, Malaya, Daniel, Malachi, Isaiah, Adriel, Connor, Bellafia and Lucas. She was blessed with three step-grandchildren in December 2012, Jeffrey Stutznegger, Ryan Stutznegger and Karmen Stutznegger.

There will be a visitation at Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary on March 12, 2017, from 6 to 8 p.m.

A funeral service will be held at Peace Lutheran Church at 11 a.m. on March 13, 2017, followed by interment at Ocean View Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the Peace Lutheran Church Memorial Fund or the charity of one's choice.

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Lillian Nimmo

County commissioners take more time on preschool study

By JACK HEFFERNAN
The Daily Astorian

Clatsop County commissioners want more time to consider a universal preschool feasibility study.

In a 3-2 vote, commissioners decided Wednesday not to approve a \$350,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education that would fund the study. In more than 1 1/2 hours of deliberations, commissioners' concerns included the possible privatization of preschools and lack of familiarity with the study.

Commissioners agreed to discuss the issue again in two weeks.

Way to Wellville has partnered with the county on the research. The study would collect data to determine whether free preschool for 600 low-income children would be possible. At the end of the study, commissioners would vote on whether to approve a "pay for success" model that would encourage investors to fund the program or fund the preschool another way, if at all.

Should a pay for success program be approved, the estimated money saved by the county from the benefits of having more children attend preschool — \$13 for every \$1 invested, according to one national study — would out-

weigh the cost, project manager Dan Gaffney said. The money saved by the county would then be awarded to the investor with interest.

But commissioners were concerned about the idea that large corporations or wealthy donors would be involved. A similar program in Salt Lake City, for instance, was funded by Goldman Sachs.

"The fact that we need a global corporation to buy our early childhood education system is sad," Commission Chairman Scott Lee said. "Corporations are using it to go through a back door. I'm worried that this is going to take us down a dark path."

Legislation would expand rural self-service gas hours

Change would not apply to Clatsop County

By PARIS ACHEN
Capital Bureau

SALEM — A bill that would expand the hours of self-serve gas stations in rural counties in Eastern Oregon is headed to the floor of the state House.

The legislation by state Rep. Cliff Bentz, R-Ontario, expands on a law passed in 2015 that allowed self-service between the hours of 6 p.m. and 6 a.m. in 18 counties with a population of less than 40,000, including Clatsop County.

Oregon is one of only two states that prohibit customers from pumping their own gas at fueling stations. In 2015, the Legislature passed a law to allow customers to pump gas in rural counties at night and early mornings to protect travelers from being stranded in remote places.

However, in Eastern Oregon, some locally-owned gas stations have been at risk of closure due to the expense of hiring fueling attendants to pump customers' gas.

"We are trying to preserve these stations out

in the middle of nowhere so that we have fuel available," Bentz said.

"This is a question of access, not convenience. We are trying to preserve the jobs of the owners who own these stations and not just the employees at the islands."

The House Committee on Transportation Policy voted 8-1 Wednesday to move the bill to the House floor with a recommendation for approval.

The proposed change affects 16 counties in Eastern Oregon: Malheur, Union, Wasco, Hood River, Curry, Jefferson, Crook, Baker, Morrow, Lake, Grant, Harney, Wallowa, Gilliam, Sherman and Wheeler.

The original proposal included Clatsop, Curry and Tillamook counties. However, opposition to expanding self-service hours prompted proponents to exclude the coastal counties from the change.

Opponents feared expanding the hours when self-service was allowed would threaten the jobs of those who pump fuel for a living. Another amendment requires an attendant to be available to pump gas at stations that have an attached business, such as a convenience store or restaurant.

"We realize there are isolated areas of the state, some in western Oregon and some other places that may still

have issues with fuel availability," said Paul Romain, a Portland attorney representing the Oregon Fuels Association. But proponents agreed to modify the bill to make sure it could pass, Romain said.

Rep. Brad Witt, D-Clatskanie, a member of the transportation policy committee, voted against the bill Wednesday.

"My district is surrounded virtually by self-serve gasoline, two sides by coastal counties and two sides by the state of Washington," Witt said. "I am very sympathetic to the problems that they have, but self-serve gasoline has now surrounded my district, and that has created problems for me."

The legislation that passed in 2015 has enabled some rural stations to remain open at night for travelers. Yet some gas station owners have not had the resources to take advantage of the 2015 law because the self-service cardlock devices used to take credit cards cost between \$20,000 and \$25,000, gas station owners testified in February.

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"The opportunity to attend this place leaves me peacefully assured I won't have to worry about my future as I have so many different fields of work."



Ashley Gillespie
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