

Suspect in deputy's death killed by police

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Law enforcement officers Sunday night shot and killed a suspect who is believed to have killed Cowlitz County sheriff's deputy Justin DeRosier nearly 24 hours earlier, Cowlitz County Sheriff Brad Thurman said.

The suspect, whose identity was not made public, was seen tromping out of the woods wet and dirty with a firearm on Spencer Creek Road. Two lawmen shot him and he was declared dead at the scene, Thurman said. The shooting took place around 7 p.m. and neither officer involved was injured.

Investigators had identified the suspect after interviewing two brothers, one of whom was seen coming out

of the woods along Modrow Road. They have been identified as Michael Veatch and Matthew Veatch. At this time, they are considered suspects in rendering criminal assistance, the sheriff said.

Sunday night's shooting concluded a nearly 22-hour manhunt for those responsible for killing deputy DeRosier on Fallert Road just after 10 p.m. Saturday.

DeRosier was fatally shot while checking out a motor home that was blocking Fallert Road, which is 3 miles east of Interstate 5 at the north end of Kalama.

DeRosier died at PeaceHealth Medical Center in Vancouver, Washington, a

short time after he was flown there by a Life Flight Network helicopter, the sheriff's office reported.

DeRosier leaves a wife, Katie DeRosier, and a 5-month-old daughter, Lily, his first child.



Justin DeRosier

He is a 2008 Kelso High School graduate and has been a deputy for the Cowlitz County Sheriff's Office since 2016. He also was a criminal justice graduate of Washington State University.

DeRosier "was a Kelso boy," Thurman said.

He was a member of a family with deep Cowlitz County roots. His grandmother, Darlene DeRosier, was a longtime county auditor.

Visibly emotional, Cowlitz County Undersheriff Darren Ullmann said the fallen deputy's daughter is "always going to know what an incredible man her father was."

"Most of us have known him most of his life. There were few cops who wanted to be a cop more than Justin did. He loved his job. He was incredibly good at it. And as you can imagine, as I'm obviously showing, this is very personal for our agency.... I had a lot of hope and plans for Justin. I saw him working his way up in this department very rapidly.... Justin was a bull in a china shop.... He had a presence that couldn't be overlooked. He will be with us forever. And he will be truly missed."

More than a dozen members of the Patriot Guard

riders and American Legion appeared by the sheriff's office Sunday afternoon to form a flag line in honor of DeRosier.

About 200 to 300 people, many of them connected to law enforcement, huddled at Martin Dock at Lake Sacajawea on Sunday evening to honor DeRosier. They sang "Amazing Grace" and remembered the deputy.

"I never met anyone who didn't like him," Layne DeRosier, his uncle, told a reporter, describing his nephew as someone who had a big personality who wanted to be an officer since watching "Cops" as a boy.

"He was a true hero, but he wouldn't want anyone to call him that. (To him), it was his job. ... Heaven is a much safer place with him

in it," he said, struggling to remain composed.

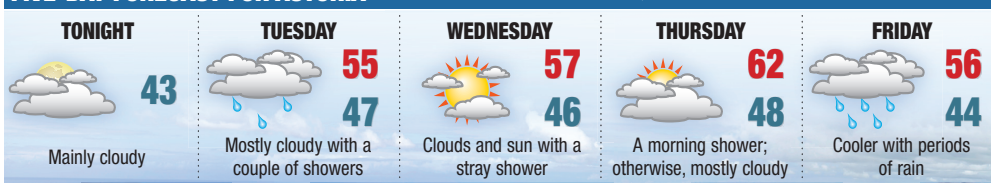
Sarah Bue, a Kelso resident who attended high school with Justin DeRosier, came to the vigil with her 10-year-old son, Elijah, to support the DeRosier family.

"I can't imagine what his family is going through. I have known him a long time. I feel so bad for his wife and little girl. It really hits home for me," Bue said.

The vigil was arranged by Katie Fowler, of Longview, at the instigation of her 9-year-old son, Chase Sanger, after they discussed the case in the car on the way home.

"He said, 'Mom, we have to do something.' This is what we do. There are bad people out there. This just shows that we won't back down. Our community is strong."

FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA



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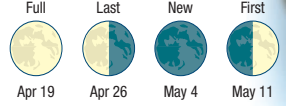
Astoria through Sunday.

Temperatures
High/low 52°/38°
Normal high/low 56°/41°
Record high 79° in 1947
Record low 31° in 2001

Precipitation
Sunday 0.04"
Month to date 4.60"
Normal month to date 2.69"
Year to date 19.65"
Normal year to date 27.53"

SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 8:02 p.m.
Sunrise Tuesday 6:28 a.m.
Moonrise today 3:32 p.m.
Moonset today 4:59 a.m.



UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Waxing gibbous moon between Regulus and Denebola of Leo, the Lion.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

Time	High	Time	Low
11:37 a.m.	8.3 ft.	5:42 a.m.	1.6 ft.
none		6:12 p.m.	-0.1 ft.

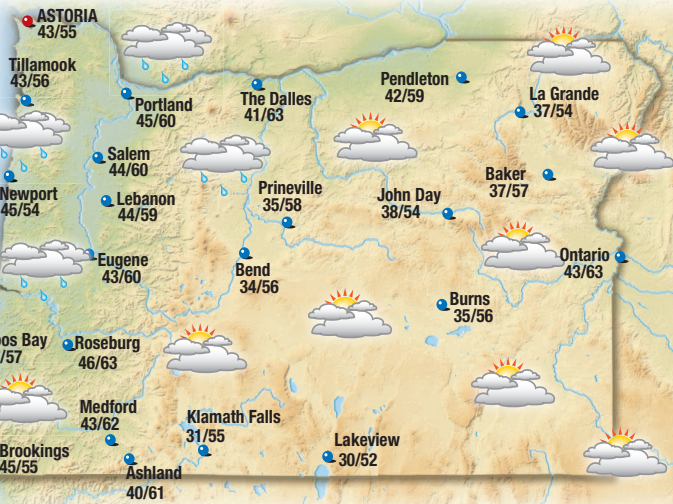
NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tues.
Allianta	67 49 s 77 55 s	
Boston	68 42 r 60 43 s	
Chicago	50 43 pc 66 47 c	
Denver	72 41 pc 66 40 c	
Des Moines	69 51 s 74 59 c	
Detroit	55 35 pc 57 43 r	
El Paso	86 61 s 82 57 s	
Fairbanks	51 28 c 52 28 pc	
Honolulu	84 69 pc 86 70 s	
Indianapolis	56 43 pc 74 55 pc	
Kansas City	74 55 s 79 61 c	
Las Vegas	84 59 s 68 54 t	
Los Angeles	70 55 s 66 51 pc	
Memphis	71 54 s 77 61 c	
Miami	89 71 pc 82 71 pc	
Nashville	65 49 s 79 58 s	
New Orleans	75 58 s 80 65 pc	
New York	64 43 r 65 48 pc	
Oklahoma City	77 58 s 74 62 c	
Philadelphia	63 41 pc 66 50 pc	
St. Louis	67 53 s 80 61 pc	
Salt Lake City	57 46 sh 51 40 sh	
San Francisco	59 50 r 63 48 pc	
Seattle	57 45 c 58 48 sh	
Washington, DC	61 45 pc 70 56 s	

Weather (W): s-sunny, pc-partly cloudy, c-cloudy, sh-showers, t-thunderstorms, r-rain, sf-snow flurries, sn-snow, i-ice.

REGIONAL WEATHER

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs.

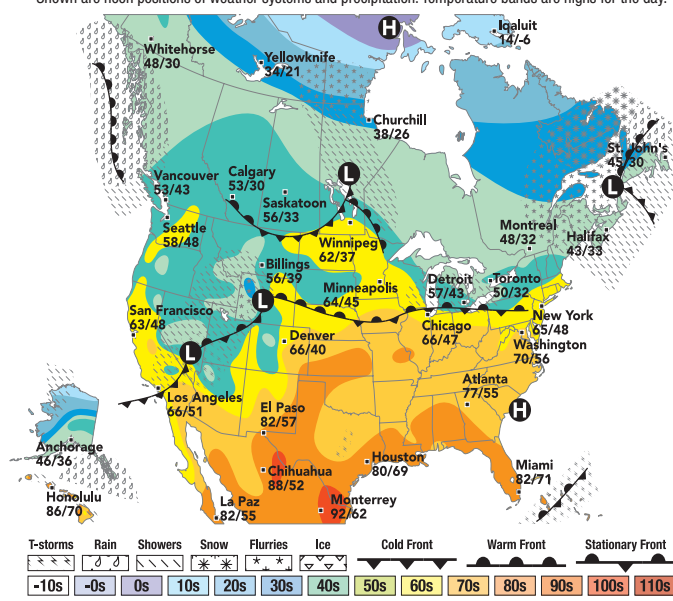


REGIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Tues.
Baker City	54 37 sh 57 36 c	
Bend	52 34 sh 56 37 c	
Brookings	51 45 r 55 44 pc	
Eugene	51 43 r 60 46 c	
Ilwaco	53 44 c 54 48 sh	
Klamath Falls	48 31 r 55 32 c	
Medford	55 43 r 62 44 c	
Newberg	51 42 r 58 46 c	
Newport	51 45 r 54 47 c	
North Bend	54 47 r 57 47 c	
Olympia	56 40 c 57 45 c	
Pendleton	57 42 c 59 44 c	
Portland	53 45 sh 60 48 c	
Roseburg	56 46 r 63 47 c	
Salem	51 44 r 60 48 c	
Seaside	53 43 c 55 48 c	
Spokane	51 36 c 56 39 pc	
Springfield	51 44 r 59 46 c	
Vancouver	53 43 sh 59 47 c	
Yakima	57 37 c 64 42 c	

TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.



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Allan Carl Benson

Portland
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Allan Benson passed away peacefully on March 27, 2019, in Portland, at age 84.

Al was born and raised in Seaside, Oregon, by parents Adolph and Evelyn Benson. Although physically disabled from birth, Al refused to accept it. Through his endless strength and determination, he overcame every obstacle before him. He deeply touched and motivated everyone around him with his sense of humor, quick wit, kindness and grace.



Allan Benson

alhome.org

Al was a loving and devoted husband to his wife, Anne, of Portland, and an inspirational big brother to Robert L. Benson, of Prineville, and David L. Benson, of Warrenton.

There will be a family memorial at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations are requested to be made to the Shriners Hospital for Children, Portland, Oregon.

To leave a fond memory of Al, or a condolence message for his family, please visit youngfuner.com

ON THE RECORD

Failure to stop

Four people were injured in a car accident in Astoria that sent a fire hydrant flying into a parked car on Sunday.

Around 3:45 p.m., a vehicle driving southbound on Marine Drive was hit after

another vehicle traveling west on Marine Drive failed to stop at a stop sign at the intersection of Eighth and Bond streets. The car driving onto Bond Street swerved into a fire hydrant, which dislodged and flew into a

nearby parked car. Both drivers and each of their passengers were taken to Columbia Memorial Hospital for injuries. Janet Palmetter, 79, of Cannon Beach, was cited for failing to stop at a traffic control device.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

MONDAY

Knappa School Board, 5:30 p.m., Knappa High School library, 41535 Old U.S. Highway 30.

Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protection District Board, 6 p.m., Fire-Rescue Main Station, 188 Sunset Ave.

Astoria City Council, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

Cannon Beach Public Works

LOTTERIES

OREGON

Sunday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 6-0-3-2

4 p.m.: 3-1-9-3

7 p.m.: 1-9-4-2

10 p.m.: 8-8-5-0

Sunday's Lucky Lines: 4-8-9-13-20-21-26-32

Estimated jackpot: \$19,000

Saturday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 8-5-3-2

4 p.m.: 0-1-7-5

7 p.m.: 9-6-0-1

10 p.m.: 3-8-0-8

Saturday's Lucky Lines: 1-7-11-16-17-23-28-29

Estimated jackpot: \$17,000

Saturday's Megabucks: 6-11-30-41-42-46

Estimated jackpot: \$1.4 million

Committee, 9 a.m., City Hall, 163 Gower St.

Arts Council of Clatsop County, 11 a.m., 800 Exchange Street Suite 430, Astoria.

Astoria Historic Landmarks Commission, 5:15 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.

Sunset Empire Park and Recreation District, 5:15 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A.

Seaside School District

Board of Directors, 6 p.m., 1801 S. Franklin.

Yongs River Lewis & Clark Water District Board, 6 p.m., 34583 U.S. Highway 101 Business.

Seaside Planning Commission, 7 p.m., work session, City Hall, 989 Broadway.

Shoreline Sanitary District Board, 7 p.m., Gearhart Hertig Station, 33496 West Lake Lane, Warrenton.

Saturday's Powerball: 4-17-26-32-49, Powerball: 10

Estimated jackpot: \$118 million

Friday's Pick 4:

1 p.m.: 9-8-4-3

4 p.m.: 1-2-2-1

7 p.m.: 8-1-6-6

10 p.m.: 1-3-3-5

Friday's Lucky Lines: 3-5-12-16-19-22-28-31

Estimated jackpot: \$16,000

Friday's Mega Millions: 1-24-25-40-70, Mega Ball: 4

Estimated jackpot: \$157 million

WASHINGTON

Sunday's Daily Game: 5-7-8

Sunday's Keno: 14-15-17-19-28-30-33-34-36-47-48-51-54-

56-59-70-74-75-79-80

Sunday's Match 4: 06-12-13-19

Saturday's Daily Game: 0-2-2-30-32

Saturday's Hit 5: 06-20-29-30-32

Estimated jackpot: \$100,000

Saturday's Keno: 12-16-21-26-27-29-32-33-34-37-43-48-

50-51-54-55-67-73-74-77

Saturday's Lotto: 12-13-16-19-23-44

Estimated jackpot: \$6.9 million

Saturday's Match 4: 05-12-14-20

Friday's Daily Game: 9-1-4

Friday's Keno: 03-04-06-08-10-16-17-37-44-45-51-52-58-

59-63-72-74-76-79-80

Friday's Match 4: 09-19-20-23

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