

OBITUARIES

Nathan Scott Lee Astoria April 23, 1945 — Jan. 5, 2022



Nathan Scott Lee, born April 23, 1945, in Corvallis, passed away Jan. 5, 2022, at his home, after a 37-year battle with an autoimmune disease.

Nathan grew up on a farm outside of Corvallis with his parents and six brothers and sisters. As a kid, he loved to tinker, invent and "improve" anything he got his hands on. Nathan had a thirst for knowledge and adventure, which led to a life full of wonderful experiences.

In 1965, he married his high school sweetheart, Nancy Welch. Soon after, he was drafted into the U.S. Army, and sent to Vietnam. After his return, Nathan chose to remain in the military. He had 23 successful years as a pilot in the Army before being medically discharged and moving back to Oregon.

More recently, he spent a few years as pastor of the Olney Community Church, where he enjoyed sharing his faith, studying God's word and sharing fellowship until his health declined.

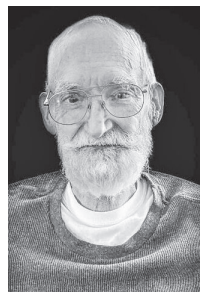
He was an avid sailor, ham radio operator and coffee enthusiast. Nathan was a kindhearted man who cared deeply for his family, and was a good friend to all who knew him.

Nathan is survived by his wife, Nancy (Welch) Lee; his three daughters, Tammy Talabesky, of Long Beach, California, Naté Smilay, of Westchester, New York, and Lorna Hawkins, of Astoria. Nathan is also survived by six grandchildren, Laurel Talabesky, of Long Beach, Naomi and Ryan Smilay, of Westchester, and Nate, Caleb and Audrey Hawkins, of Astoria. He leaves behind many other family members and countless friends who dearly loved him.

We would like to thank all who visited or sent encouraging messages during his last days. We'd also like to thank Lower Columbia Hospice.

The family will have a private ceremony at a later date.

He will be always loved, and never forgotten.



Nathan Lee

Grant Evans Murrell Fairview May 18, 1948 — Dec. 28, 2021



Grant Evans Murrell was born May 18, 1948, in Portland, and died Dec. 28, 2021, in Portland.

Grant attended Vernon, Wilkes and Glenfair elementary schools before moving on to Reynolds High School, where he is in the Reynolds Football Hall of Fame.

Grant joined the U.S. Army after high school as a member of the 82nd Airborne Division, and honorably served in Korea.

Grant eventually attended and graduated from Portland State University.

Grant started his work life with Riedel International and Cascade International before moving on to Pacific Northwest Bell, where he met the love of his life, Mary. They married in October 1984.

Grant enjoyed not just being a husband, but also being a Dad to Mary's son, Kevin. Fatherhood gave Grant a great sense of pride, and his love is something Kevin will live with forever.

In 1988, Grant decided to pursue his law degree at Lewis & Clark's Northwestern School of Law in Portland. Upon receiving his law degree in 1990, Grant joined on as a deputy district attorney in Multnomah County, where he served until his retirement in 2013.

Throughout their 37 years of marriage and life together, Grant and Mary enjoyed many adventures, travels across the U.S. and Europe, and always being active.

Grant was an excellent snow skier, advanced scuba diver, ran multiple marathons, participated and volunteered in multiple Hood to Coast Relays, river rafted for over 30 years and even walked the 500-mile Camino de Santiago across Spain, with Mary by his side.

But in his retirement, cycling became his primary passion, specializing in long rides of 85 to 100 miles, often accompanied by his lifelong friend, Tim Gilmore.

Grant had a servant's heart. This was

evident in all the volunteering he did in his retirement. He volunteered as fire fighter, emergency medical technician and fire inspector in Pacific County, Washington, near his and Mary's beach home.

In recent years, he served on the Fairview Safety Committee, the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office Citizen Patrol for Corbett, the west Columbia River Gorge and Fairview and as a cycling EMT for the annual Seattle to Portland cycling event.

On Dec. 1, 2006, Grant's life changed forever. He became a grandpa to twins! The light of his life were his grandkids, Nicholas and Presley. The role of grandpa was built for Grant, something Nick and Pres felt daily.

They traveled the U.S. together, so grandpa could show them all the national parks over the years, did the Polar Express train together each year during the holidays, spent countless weeks together at the beach and always spent their New Year's Eves together.

His support and love was always felt by Nick and Pres ... particularly at their sporting events, where he was their loudest cheerleader, by far.

A life well lived!
Grant is preceded in death by his father, Evan Lee Murrell, and mother, Idris Ailene Murrell.

Grant is survived by his wife of 37 years, Mary; son, Kevin Carty (Lindsey); grandkids, Nicholas and Presley Carty; brothers, Greg Murrell (Barbara) and Gary Murrell (Michael); and niece, Leigh Murrell.

A celebration of life and reception is Jan. 29 at 1 p.m. at Bateman Carroll Funeral Home, 520 West Powell Blvd. in Gresham.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to be sent to: the Oregon Humane Society (oregonhumane.org/donate); or Operation Nightwatch (operationnightwatch.org).



Grant Murrell

Salvador Manuel Rodriguez Lopez

Salem

Dec. 24, 1987 — Jan. 2, 2022



Salvador Manuel Rodriguez Lopez passed away in a tragic car accident in Portland on Jan. 2, 2022.

Salvador was born on Dec. 24, 1987, in Guanajuato, Mexico, to his parents Socorro and Ruben Rodriguez.

He attended school in Astoria, and received a medical assistant certificate at Clatsop Community College in 2010. He also was a volunteer with both the Seaside and Astoria fire departments.

He married his high school sweetheart, Claudia, in 2010, and although they later separated, they were co-parenting three amazing children.

In 2015, Salvador joined the U.S. Army, and was honorably discharged in 2020.

Salvador will be remembered for his contagious laugh, his love of life and his optimistic outlook. Looking out for his family was his number one priority. He was very proud of his kids and their

accomplishments. Salvador's name was well recognized in the Hispanic community, as he was always willing to work hard helping their members.

He leaves behind his children, Lesly, Naomy and Mateo; as well as his mother, Socorro; sisters, Claudia, Maria, Consuelo and Irene; his brothers, Humberto and David; and several nieces and nephews. He will be buried next to his father, Ruben, who passed away in 2019.

Please join us on Sunday for a visitation at Hughes-Ransom Mortuary in Astoria from 3 until 6 p.m.

There will be a service on Monday at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church in Seaside from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The doors open at 10 a.m.

Lastly, please join us to lay him to rest at Evergreen Cemetery in Seaside following the church service.



Salvador Lopez

Lois B. Hoyer

Seaside

Sept. 29, 1926 — Jan. 1, 2022

Lois Blanche Hoyer, 95, died Jan 1, 2022, in Seaside.

She was born Sept. 29, 1926, in Lisbon, North Dakota, the daughter of Blaine and Ellen (Rasmussen) Hansen.

The family moved to Astoria when she was 9 years old, where she graduated from Astoria High School.

She married Donald Hoyer on Sept. 22, 1946, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Astoria.

They had been married for 73 years when Don passed away in 2020. They lived in the Lewis and Clark valley until 1967, when they moved to Seaside.

She had been employed at Columbia River Packers Association cold storage, retiring in 1977. She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary, Ladies of the Elks and Our Saviour's Lutheran Church. She had belonged to a group of friends that met once a month since 1944 for lunch and conversation, until the virus disrupted daily life.

Don was the center of Lois' life; they enjoyed going out dancing, traveling and visiting the casinos. She was an avid reader, and would return from a visit to the Seaside

Library with a bag full of books.

Lois is survived by her son, Kerry (Teresa) Hoyer; daughter, Holly (John) Baum; grandchildren, Aaron Hartman, Josh (Katie Powell) Baum, Jake (Jennifer) Baum, Megan (Joey) Greenberg, Lacey Hoyer (Jasper Deveraux) and Libbi (Clint) Redding; great-grandchildren, Xander, Ragner and Gavin (Josh and Katie's), Rori, Laney and Quincy (Jake and Jen's), Avery and Iris (Lacey and Jasper's) and Jack and Ellen (Libbi and Clint's); brother and sister-in-law, Dave and Lorraine Hoyer; nieces, Cindy Wills, Nancy Lane and Becky Brubaker; nephew, Jeff Hoyer; sisters-in law, Dorothy Hansen and Nancy Sabo; Hansen cousins, Charlie, Floyd and Lenard; and numerous cousins from the Rasmussen families.

She was preceded in death by her brothers, Dean and Duane Hansen.

The family offers a heartfelt thank you to all of the staff at Neawanna By The Sea, who took such good care of Mom since September 2020, and especially in her final days.

Caldwell's Luce-Layton Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements.

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SEVEN-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

TODAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
50 44	51 41	50 38	49 39	50 42	49 44	51 46
Rain and drizzle	Some brightening	Cloudy	Partly sunny	Showers possible	Showers possible	Showers possible



ALMANAC

Astoria through Tuesday

Temperatures

High/low 58/47
Normal high/low 49/38
Record high 63 in 2010
Record low 15 in 1963

Precipitation

Tuesday 1.40"
Month to date 10.59"
Normal month to date 3.96"
Year to date 10.59"
Normal year to date 3.96"

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UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: Leo, the Lion, emerging from the eastern night sky before midnight.

Source: Jim Todd, OMSI

SUN AND MOON

Sunrise today 7:55 a.m.
Sunset tonight 4:54 p.m.
Moonrise today 1:29 p.m.
Moonset today 4:30 a.m.

Full	Last	New	First
Jan 17	Jan 25	Jan 31	Feb 8

TODAY'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

Time	High (ft.)	Time	Low (ft.)
9:32 a.m.	8.3	3:27 a.m.	3.8
11:17 p.m.	6.5	4:58 p.m.	0.6

Cape Disappointment

9:15 a.m.	8.2	2:52 a.m.	4.3
11:22 p.m.	6.2	4:19 p.m.	0.9

Hammond

10:09 a.m.	8.4	3:06 a.m.	4.1
11:20 p.m.	6.5	4:34 p.m.	0.6

Warrenton

9:27 a.m.	8.7	3:11 a.m.	3.9
11:12 p.m.	6.9	4:42 p.m.	0.7

Knappa

10:09 a.m.	8.5	4:28 a.m.	3.3
11:54 p.m.	6.8	5:59 p.m.	0.5

Depoe Bay

8:29 a.m.	8.4	2:15 a.m.	4.5
10:39 p.m.	6.4	3:51 p.m.	0.9

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Fri.
	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Atlanta	57/37/pc	54/37/s
Boston	40/31/c	36/6/c
Chicago	36/25/sf	30/21/c
Dallas	68/41/s	66/40/pc
Denver	56/32/pc	43/21/pc
Honolulu	79/68/pc	80/67/sh
Houston	71/44/s	71/52/s
Los Angeles	71/59/pc	72/54/c
Miami	75/57/r	73/55/pc
New York City	43/33/pc	38/11/pc
Phoenix	74/48/pc	73/53/c
San Francisco	58/47/s	56/46/s
Wash., DC	50/36/pc	44/21/s

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

REGIONAL FORECAST

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

City	Today	Fri.	City	Today	Fri.
	Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W		Hi/Lo/W	Hi/Lo/W
Seattle	51/41	34/22/c	Wenatchee	37/27	55/40/pc
Tacoma	51/37	57/41/c	Moses Lake	37/27	53/37/pc
Aberdeen	51/44	52/42/c	Yakima	39/25	54/41/c
Olympia	52/41	46/31/c	Kennewick	46/31	42/33
Longview	52/42	40/32	Walla Walla	40/32	42/33
Astoria	50/44	45/33	Lewiston	42/33	42/33
Portland	53/43	45/33	Enterprise	38/26	45/33
Salem	54/41	48/31	La Grande	39/29	45/33
Albany	51/40	48/31	John Day	43/35	35/22
Corvallis	52/40	48/31	Burns	41/20	35/22
Eugene	53/41	48/31	Caldwell	38/27	35/22
Bend	51/37	48/31			
Medford	52/37	48/31			
Klamath Falls	48/24	48/31			