

Obituary

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Max Linder

Max R. Linder passed away at his home in Odell, Ore., on July 8, 2015, surrounded by his family. Max was born in Iona, Kansas on Nov. 13, 1929, to Harry Linder and May (Loomis) Linder. He was the oldest of three children. He was preceded in death by his sister Leota Paasch and is survived by his sister Anita Princehouse.



Max Linder

The Linders moved from Kansas to the Hood River Valley in 1938 during the hard times of the Dust Bowl and Great Depression. Harry worked in the orchards, in the Civilian Conservation Corps, and then as a logger for the rest of his working years. As a boy, Max enjoyed the woods, riding motorcycles, and fishing.

Max attended school in Odell, but the call of the world around him was strong, and he left Odell High without graduating. As a young man Max worked in many of the fields that mostly strongly define our sense of place in Oregon and the Hood River Valley; he worked in the packing houses in the Valley; in the sawmill in Bates, Ore.; and on the tugboats at the Celilo Canal. Max liked to tell the story of working on the tugs with his lifelong friend Mick Borton and watching a barge miss the canal and go over Celilo Falls. No one died but the barge was stuck for weeks.

In 1949, Max joined the Army, where he completed his GED and then was trained as a medic. Max was stationed in the Panama Canal Zone. After serving four years, he returned to the states, spending time back in Hood River and working the hayfields in Kerville, Texas. In 1953, Max reenlisted in the Army and was stationed in many places across the United States and

the world: Germany, North Carolina, Texas, Alaska, and Utah. Max served in the Vietnam War from 1967 to 1968 and as a medic attended to many wounded soldiers coming in from the field. Max retired from the Army in 1974 and was a proud American and Army veteran all of his life.

In 1966, Max married Barbara (Pickelsimer) Borton and raised Gary, Kenny, and Bruce Borton as his sons. His son Michael Linder joined the family in 1966. For the next eight years, the Linders were an Army family, following Max to the many places he was stationed. When Max retired from the Army, the family settled back in the Hood River Valley at their home in Odell. Max then worked as a school bus driver until realizing that logs would talk back less than school kids. He was a log truck driver for the Green Brothers in Parkdale until retiring for good in 1993.

In retirement, Max continued to pursue his passion for traveling with Bobbie, for riding motorcycles and ATVs, for dancing, for fishing, for hunting, and then for spending time with his grandchildren and great-grandchildren as they came along. Max was a tinkerer and enjoyed spending time at home making things and maintaining his park-like yard. Max was an active member and devoted volunteer for the Eagles Club in Hood River.

Max was preceded in death by his parents, Harry and May; his sister Leota; and his son Bruce. He is survived by his wife Bobbie; his sons Gary, Kenny, and Micky; 11 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions in Max's memory may be sent to the Odell Fire Department and made to either the Ty Taylor Scholarship Fund or the fire department.

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BROWN LAWN TIME:

Outdoor water saving tips



Photo by Kirby Neumann-Rea

CONSERVING WATER in our home and personal use is important in this drought summer so that agricultural users, including this orchard near Parkdale, have enough supply to support development of crops critical to the local economy.

With water withdrawals steadily increasing, many parts of the Hood River watershed are experiencing extremely low stream flows. This can impair fish habitat and degrade water quality, according to Jordan Kim, assistant manager of Hood River Soil and Water Conservation District.

For many of us, the simplest place to conserve water is in our landscapes. The following tips can help you increase your water efficiency and eliminate water waste.

- Do you have a water right? If so, make sure you know what it is and stay within your right. If you do not have a water right, check with your domestic water supplier to find out if outdoor watering is allowed.

- Irrigate early in the day between 4 and 9 a.m., when evaporation is lowest. The next best time is after 8 p.m. Avoid watering on windy days.

- Water infrequently but deeply. This promotes growth of deep root systems so plants can withstand longer dry periods and stay healthy.

- Regularly check for leaky or broken sprinklers, hoses, and water lines and fix them promptly.

- Never apply water faster than it can be absorbed. Sloped areas are tricky to water effectively. Contour around each plant to create a water well, or use terracing.

- For new landscapes, choose native, drought-tolerant plants or eco-lawns for future water savings and less maintenance.

- Consider letting your lawn go dormant in summer. It will green up again in the fall. (The Hood River Watershed Group is offering "Dormant Lawns for Farms and Fish" signs for those who volunteer to let their lawns go dormant this summer.)

- Use drip irrigation or micro-sprinklers instead of overhead or impact sprinklers. You'll save water and minimize plant diseases caused by wetting the foliage of your plants.

- Redirect sprinklers to avoid hitting the pavement. Watering pavement is a true waste.

- Remove weeds regularly and use a weed barrier such as mulch material, bark, or landscape fabric. Weeds compete with desirable plants for water.

- Mulch your plants. Mulches help conserve moisture while suppressing weeds.

- Dig composted materials such as yard trimmings, manure, and leaves into your soil to increase water retention and nutrients.

Please join the effort to keep our creeks, rivers and streams healthy. Technical help, advice and cost assistance is available. For more information, contact your Hood River Soil & Water Conservation District at 541-386-4588 or info@hoodriverswcd.org.

Death Notices

Robert Munk

Robert Munk, 64, passed away Saturday, July 11, 2015, in Hood River, Ore. Robert was born June 30, 1951.

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Henry Keller

Henry Keller, 75, passed away Sunday, July 12, 2015, in Cascade Locks, Ore. Henry was born May 29, 1940.

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PET OF THE WEEK

Thumper is pure love and kindness

Thumper is 4 years old and 70 pounds of pure love and kindness. Despite living in other shelters for more than a year and then getting adopted to a home with another dog who did NOT like Thumper and constantly beat him up, Thumper still finds something to thump that pittie tail about! That thing's always a-waggin'! He has always been fantastic with other dogs, until the plays gets too rough. Then he gets scared and runs off. Go figure.



Thumper

He doesn't like getting hurt, but he's still a sweet guy and has decided that toys are fun, but confusing ... just what is he really supposed to do with those things?! He tosses them for a bit, maybe even chases one down, but then what? CUD-LES! THAT'S what!

Besides being such a lovey boy, Thumper is also very smart and eager to please. He knows lots of commands and loves to show them off to everyone he can. Boy, we love this fella!

Thumper loves to go on walks, and run around following people, and thinks car rides are awesome! But he sure doesn't like the camera! But trust me, Thumper is one to meet! He'll wait patiently at an open door ready to go when given permission, and he takes treats like a real gentle boy.

If you're looking for a happy, gentle, sweet dog, then Thumper is your boy! He's not too keen on cats, though ... or maybe TOO keen on them. Depends on the perspective, I suppose!

Thumper is house trained, current on shots, microchipped and neutered.

The adoption fee for thumpity-thump-thump Thumper is \$175. The fee to adopt is charged to recoup standard veterinary expenses. Since many of our dogs are in foster, please call ahead to meet Thumper in Odell at the Hukari Animal Shelter, 3910 Heron Drive, Hood River, or call for more information at 541-354-1083. Adoption hours are Wednesdays, 5-7 p.m., and Saturdays, 9-11 a.m.

You can fill out an application online at hoodriver-adopt-adog.org, or download and scan and email to adoptadog@gorge.net, or fax it in to 1-877-833-7166. We offer 24PetWatch microchips, which include free registration into the 24PetWatch pet recovery service.

For more information visit www.24petwatch.com or call 1-866-597-2424.

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Junction to Burns.

Bentz said his original speed limit bill was merged into a bill introduced by Rep. Greg Barreto, who is named as the chief sponsor of House Bill 3402.

Sen. Alan Bates said he regretted that the speed limit changes did not happen July 1. According to the bill the changes will not happen until March 1, 2016.

"Oregon currently has the slowest highway and interstate speed limits in the western United States," Bentz said in statement.

"I hope that this bill, by allowing people to travel more quickly, will bring the eastern and western parts of Oregon closer together. Transportation, at its most basic, is communication. Perhaps being able to travel back and forth faster will allow people from remote parts of Oregon to better access the features

and benefits of this state," he said.

His other bill passed this week requires a study of mineral resources in Malheur County and other areas in eastern Oregon.

House Bill 3089, co-sponsored by Rep. Brad Witt, also directs the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries to post the report online to make the information widely available, Bentz said.

Although there had been some opposition during one committee hearing, the bill was passed out of the Joint Ways and Means Committee without opposition, and was approved unanimously first in the House and then in the Senate.

"I'm pretty happy," Bentz

said.

With the House having already adjourned until 10 a.m. Monday, Senate President Peter Courtney said the Senate was also stopped and would reconvene at 10 a.m. Monday.

Budget bills are still being worked through by the Joint Ways and Means Committee. Two bills sent out to the floors during its evening session Friday had to do with funding career and technical education and programs and funding the Oregon Main Street Revitalization Program, but at only half of the \$5 million originally proposed.

The budget bills are pending further action by the House.

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