

RELIGION

Obituaries

Dedicated friend, family member, dies at 47



Donald Allen Clark

Funeral services were held for Donald Allen Clark on Monday, Oct. 6 at Bethel A.M.E Church. He died Sept. 30 due to a ruptured appendix.

He was born Aug. 21, 1956 in Portland to Doshie Lee Clark and Hilary Thomas Clark, the eighth of nine children.

He attended Highland Elementary, John Adams High School and the University of Oregon. While in elementary school, he was selected as a member of the Portland Rose Festival Junior Court. His selection was based on his poetic interpretation of the festival theme: "From the Music Stand." Resplendent in his vanilla ice cream-colored suit, straw hat and cape, Clark was the first African-American male on the junior court and a member of the last court that had both boys and girls.

The Royal Rosarians planted a rose bush in his honor at the Peninsula Park Rose Garden.

As a young child, Clark was extremely inquisitive. He always wanted to know what made things "tick." He became proficient at analyzing, repairing and assembling machinery. If his dad could not get a power mower to work, he could.

His collection of vintage Cadillacs is a testament to his love of tinkering with motors and habit of fixing things. He once spent years trying to find one of his stolen Cadillacs. When he thought he had found it, he wired the ignition so that the car would only start if someone sat on the passenger side and then lifted themselves from the seat and back down again.

In addition to cars, Clark loved all things 70s. It was really hard to get him out of his bell bottoms and polyester! He took great pride in his appearance and was known to visit his hair stylist on a weekly basis; finally trading an electric organ to the stylist in a bartering exchange for his weekly trips.

A warehouseman for Albertson's Grocery until becoming disabled by injuries several years ago, he spent his time cooking, researching his next venture for a non-profit organization, tending his garden, his cars, his friends and his relationships with his family and his companion of 13 years, Jeanne Annen.

Clark never married or had children of his own. He was, however, devoted to his nieces and nephews, and the children of other people. In his neighborhood, he was known as the "Popsicle man," for his habit of passing out treats to the children.

Survivors include his companion, Jeanne; his father, Hilary; his brothers Ozie Johnson, Harold Thomas Clark, Larry Dean Clark and Ricky Clark; his sisters Lurlene Johnson Shamsud-Din, Carolyn Johnson, Beverly Johnson Edmondson and Linda Clark Beasley; sister-in-law S.K. Clark and brothers-in-law Jeddy O. Beasley and James Edmondson; eight aunts, seven uncles and a host of nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

Ministerial Alliance Elects President

Maranatha pastor to lead Albina leadership group



Dr. T. Allen Bethel

The Albina Ministerial Alliance Board of Directors has elected Dr. T. Allen Bethel of Maranatha Church of God as its president.

Dr. Bethel has served on the AMA Board Executive Committee for the past four years, the last three years as chief financial officer. He is credited with instilling stringent fiscal oversight to the organization, fortifying the alliance with strong fiscal policies and procedures, implementing accountability mechanisms and reporting systems for internal and external control.

Dr. Bethel is an outstanding speaker, having spoken across the United States and internationally. Since his move to Port-

graduate Curriculum Developer for Coalition for Urban Ministerial Education, Northwest.

A native of South Carolina, he converted in 1969 and was called to the ministry in 1971. He received his ministerial training at Bay Ridge Christian College in Texas, and the Kansas City College and Bible School in Missouri. He is currently a doctoral candidate for the Doctor of Missiology degree at Western Seminary in Portland and holds an honorary Doctor of Divinity Degree from the Southern California School of Ministry.

Dr. Bethel has received numerous awards in his lifetime including Who's Who in Christian Leadership and Outstanding Young Men of America.

Out of a rich and experienced background of over 30 years in ministry, 22 years in pastoral ministry, he serves the Maranatha Church and Portland community with a caring, loving and dedicated heart.

Local Veteran Dead at 56

Larry Vern Allen

Funeral services were held on Friday, Oct. 3, in Fellowship Missionary Baptist Church in Portland for Larry Vern Allen. He died Sept. 26 at age 56.

Mr. Allen was born Jan. 2, 1947, in Linden, Texas, and moved to Portland in 1949. He graduated from Jefferson High School and served in the Army. He was a construction worker for Esco Steel and for Barker Manufacturing.

Survivors include his daughter, Tammie Allen-Bynum; son, Larry V. Jr.; sisters, Herculene Minnieweather, Freddie Mae Johnson, Altheresa Williams, Doris M. Jones and Eva L. Curry; brothers, Leura and Lonnie; companion, Christine White; and four grandchildren.

Remembrances to the American Diabetes Association. Arrangements by Rose City Cemetery and Funeral Home.

Long Time Resident Dead at 74

Eloise Franklin

Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 3 in Highland United Church of Christ in Portland for Eloise Franklin, who died Sept. 28 at age 74.

She was born May 16, 1929, in Monticello, Ark. She moved to Portland in 1956 and co-owned with her husband, Rev. Levert Franklin, Franklin Market and Franklin's Ready Ribs. She was a member of Powerhouse Church of God in Christ, where her husband was a pastor. He died in 2002.

Survivors include her sons, Lorrvell and Lewis; daughters, Mary Franklin, LaVerne Martin and Louise Fields; sisters, Leola Seamster, Enda Echols, Tommie Mae, Bollie Smith, Jewell Collins, Ushalla Dunlap and Pearl Gatewood; brothers, Vollie Smith, Hubert Smith and Charlie Smith; nine grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were under the direction of Rose City Cemetery and Funeral Homes.

Lifelong Resident Passes

A memorial service was held Sept. 6, at Killingsworth Little Chapel of the Chimes for Terry Alexander, a lifelong Portland resident who died recently.

He was born on Oct. 5, 1959. He was a stock clerk at Chucks Grocery and loved playing dominos.

He will be remembered by his sisters Al Curtis Norforel, Louis Mays, Francine Alexander Harris, JoAn Goldsby and Doris Jean Alexander; and brother Randy Alexander.



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All classes are free of charge!

	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
Matt Dishman 77 NE Knott	Strength Training 8-9am and 2-3pm Brown	Stretching/Body Sculpting 7-8am Lois	Strength Training 8-9am and 2-3pm Brown	Stretching/Body Sculpting 7-8am Lois	Strength Training 8-9am and 2-3pm Brown	African Dance 10:00-11:00am Addo
Salvation Army 5325 N Williams.	Salsa Beginning in September	Water Aerobics Contact AAHC 503-413-1850	Tai Chi 6:30 - 7:30pm Lyles	Water Aerobics Contact AAHC 503-413-1850		
Wild Oats Market 3535 NE 15th.		Yoga 7:30-8:30pm O'Rourke		Yoga 7:30-8:30pm O'Rourke		Body Conditioning 9:30-10:30am Nickerson
Peninsula Park 700 N Portland		Walking Group 6:00-7:00pm Nickerson (meet inside Lloyd Center in front of Sears)		Walking Group 6:00-7:00 pm Nickerson (meet inside Lloyd Center in front of Sears)		Walking Group 12:30pm Nickerson
Mallory Avenue Christian Church (Gym) 126 NE Alberta	Aerobics 5:30-6:20pm and 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson		Aerobics 5:30-6:20pm and 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson		Aerobics 6:30-7:30pm Nickerson	
Highland United Church of Christ 4635 NE 9th Ave.	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	Aerobics 6:00-7:00pm Keller	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	Aerobics 6:00-7:00pm Keller	Aerobics 6:00-7:00am Pierce	
Whitaker Track 42nd & Killingsworth		Wt. Management/ Conditioning 9:00 - 10:00am Hasan	Wt. Management/ Conditioning II 6:00 - 7:00am Hasan	Wt. Management/ Conditioning 9:00 - 10:00am Hasan		

**Must be 21 or older to participate. Please check with AAHC before showing up to the first class 503-413-1850. Please receive approval from your doctor before beginning exercise class.



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