

RELIGION



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Living Through Changes

A birthday party was held at Irving Plaza on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Thursday for local resident Bettie Robinson, who turned 101. She was born in Mississippi and moved to Oregon where she lived in Vanport to work in the Kaiser Shipyard in the early 1940s. She was once displaced by the Emanuel Hospital expansion. Her daughter, Inez Reed, 83, joined her for the celebration.

Pope Celebrates 25th Anniversary

(AP) — Pope John Paul II celebrated his 25th anniversary Thursday, reaching a milestone matched by only three of his predecessors and pushing ahead with his agenda despite increasingly debilitating infirmities. The 83-year-old pope was a Polish cardinal named Karol Wojtyla when he was elected the first non-Italian pontiff in 455 years.



Evangelism Seminar at Warner Pacific

A seasoned pastor and trainer will teach a day-long seminar to explore evangelism and discipleship in the workplace.

Dr. Enrique Cepeda, president of Doulos International

Ministries, will teach "Evang-
lizing Business and Profes-
sional People in the Workplace:
Evangelism and Discipleship as
a Lifestyle" from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 25 at Warner
Pacific College, 2219 S.E. 68

Ave. The cost is \$8.50.

Cepeda will also speak dur-
ing Warner Pacific's Homecom-
ing chapel at 10:30 a.m. Friday,
Oct. 24.

To register for the confer-
ence, call 503-517-1026.

Obituaries

In Loving Memory

Rhonda Grace Ollison

Services were scheduled Wednesday at Bethesda Christian Church, 109 N. Emerson, for Rhonda Grace Ollison who died Oct. 16, 2003, with Rev. Johnny Pack IV, officiating.

She was born Nov. 23, 1958, the daughter of Robert B. Ollison and Martha L. Ollison.

She attended John Adams High School, Portland Community College and Portland College of Business. She was employed at the Quimby Corporation.

Survivors include a daughter, LaWanda R. Ollison

Beloved Community Member Remembered

Esther E. Hardy

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 18 for Esther E. Hardy at the Freedom Assembly Church of God in Christ. She was 91 years old.

Esther Hardy was born in Aug. 18, 1912, in Hennessey, Okla. and lived in San Bernardino, Calif. until 2001. She worked as a preschool and music teacher in the San Bernardino School District. She married Pastor Dempsey Hardy in 1935 and received her evangelist missionary license in 1945. She was involved in several churches as a financial secretary, an executive board member and a regional and district missionary.

Survivors include her sons, Rev. W.G. Hardy Sr., Rupert Hardy and Carl Washington; and daughters Sylvia Anderson, Mary Lou Jackson and Pearlene Washington.

Arrangements were under the direction of Caldwell's Colonial Chapel.

Army Veteran Dies at 57

Stanley Givens

Funeral services were held Saturday, Oct. 11 at New Hope Baptist Church for Robert Stanley Givens. He was 57.

He was born on March 17, 1946 in Tucson, Ariz., the 17th of 18 children. He was called Stan or Stanley by friends.

He moved to Portland at the age of 18 and attended Multnomah College. He was drafted into the U.S. Army in 1967. He was stationed at Fort Lewis, Wash., and served two years active duty in Germany.

After being honorably discharged in 1973, Givens worked for the Burlington Northern Railroad. He retired with a disability after 27 years of service.

Survivors include his sisters, Doris Hendricks, Rose Martin and Mary Givens; brothers Rayford and Fred Givens, all of Portland; and a host of aunts, uncles, cousins, nieces, nephews and other friends and relatives.

Arrangements were under the direction of Cox and Cox Funeral Chapel.

Childcare Provider Remembered

James Smith

Graveside services were held Monday at Pioneer Cemetery in south-east Portland for James Smith, who died Wednesday, Oct. 1 at the age of 35.

He was born in Florence, N. C., and lived in Portland for more than 20 years.

Mr. Smith was a self-employed childcare provider.

Survivors include his companion, Tracy Walker; daughter Joyce; son James Jr.; and brothers Otis and Franklin.

Mama Jewell Will Be Missed

Jewell "Mama Jewell" Harris

A funeral was held Saturday, Oct. 11 in Killingsworth Little Chapel of the Chimes for Jewell "Mama Jewell" W. Harris, who died Oct. 6 at age 67.

She was born Dec. 11, 1935, in San Antonio. She moved to Portland in 1964 and was a laborer in the shipyards.

Survivors include her son, Kenneth L.C. Brown; daughters, Alice Y. Brown, Jewell L. Stevens, Pearl Dillard and Sue D. Diy; granddaughters she raised, Sasja Carnahan and Ulanda Simms; 23 other grandchildren; 10 great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandchild.



Man Leaves Mother, Family to Mourn

Emanuel C. Mosley Sr.

Funeral services were held Friday, Oct. 17 at St. Paul Church of God in Christ, 2859 N.E. Rodney St., for Emanuel C. Mosley Sr. of Portland who died Oct. 12 at age 28. He was born July 6, 1975. He worked for Courtesy Janitorial, Nike and as an electrician for the Oregon Department of Transportation.

He will be cherished by his many family and friends, especially his mother, Marnella Mosley, who wrote the following poem:

Emanuel, you are a gift from God, therefore I do not question your heavenly departure before me. For I know without doubt it is a plan from God for no mother should suffer this pain. This pain is far worse than the labor pain it took to bring you into this world, this one of you leaving this world. I love you Emanuel, therefore it is through my faith in God you will read this and hold it close to your heart. I love you but I know you are now with one who loves you far more than me. Although I can't imagine no one loving you more than me on this earth, so I know it must be God.

I will always cherish your first steps, first words, first days of school, first loves and those simple ways you looked at your children as they accomplished some of the same foot steps that you took. You had so much pride in your children as well as dreams and hopes for their future. As your mother I will not be able to replace what you represent to them but I will do my best. Emanuel you made me laugh. Our conversations were real. Our relationship was genuine. I want you to know God is good, but also God is Love and He loves you. You made a difference everywhere you went, but I did not realize it until after you have left. How far your love reached, old young, middle age and toddler they have great love for you.

Although we will not meet again until I make my journey, I will love you every day, no man or child will replace my love for you and what I feel for you. Stay sweet and close to God, for his hands will not change.

Survivors also include his two children, Emanuel Jr. and Shakyla; fiancé, Kathleen Mitchell; brothers and sisters, Robert L. Mosley Sr., Anthony and T'yanne Mosley, Nate and Natchole Griffin, Gabriel Garrett, Carla Thompson, and Angela Henderson, all of Portland; great-grandmother Louvenia Hester of Detroit; grandparents, George A. Bingham Sr. of Portland, Barbara M. Thomas of California and Annie L. Mosley of Portland.

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