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Rep. Elijah Cummings at a hearing on Capitol Hill in March. (AP photo)

Elijah Cummings Funeral Set

Powerful Congressman was civil rights champion

A wake and funeral for U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings will be held Friday, Oct 25 at the New Psalmist Baptist Church in Baltimore, Md., the congregation where he worshipped for nearly four decades.

Cummings, a sharecropper's son who rose to become a civil rights champion and the chairman of one of the U.S. House committees leading an impeachment inquiry of President Donald Trump, died Thursday of complications from longstanding health problems. He was 68.

Cummings was a formidable orator who advocated for the poor in his black-majority district, which encompasses a large portion of Baltimore and more well-to-do suburbs.

As chairman of the House Oversight and Reform Committee, he led investigations of the president's

government dealings, including probes in 2019 relating to Trump's family members serving in the White House.

A lifetime member of the NAACP, Cummings consistently brought attention to the plight of African-Americans and oppressed populations throughout his 23-year service in the U.S. House of Representatives.

He became a nationally-recognized figure when he was appointed the chair of the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform in 2019. One of the few African-Americans to lead such a prestigious committee, Rep. Cummings often took swift action to call out inequity and abuse of power when confronted.

"Among the many accolades he received throughout his storied life, his legacy of championing issues, facing injustice head-on and speaking truth to power will forever be a part of his greatest contributions," said Leon W. Russell, Chairman, NAACP Board of Directors.

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The Week in Review

Portland Student Mourned

Fighting back tears, the family of 18-year-old University of Portland student Owen Klinger described their son as "A beautiful, beautiful soul," Monday, two days after identifying a body found near the St John Bridge as him and two weeks after he went missing. The UP community also held a mass Tuesday to remember Klinger and to mourn his loss.



Teen Missing 12 Days

A foster mom put out a plea for her 16-year-old missing foster son, Doug Faoa, Tuesday, saying he has been missing for 12 days in Clackamas County and there's been no help in looking for him. Faoa left Palmer's home in Albany on Oct. 10, to spend 90 days at a treatment facility in Happy Valley.



Homeless Deaths Report

A report last week cited meth overdoses as the leading cause of homeless deaths across Multnomah County in 2018. At least 92 people died while experiencing homelessness in 2018 with methamphetamines listed as the leading contributor to 29% of those deaths. The report also found that 10 people died from homicides, 6 of which involved a gun.

Gov. Welcomes Refugees

Oregon Gov. Kate Brown has responded to a recent

executive order from President Trump which allows states to reject the resettlement of refugees by saying that refugees are welcome in Oregon. In a video posted Monday on Twitter, she called resettlement a lifeline that America provides to the world's most vulnerable refugees.

Gwen Ifill Memorialized

Trailblazing journalist Gwen Ifill will be memorialized on a new U.S. Postal Service Forever stamp. Ifill, who died in November 2016, became the first African American woman to host a national political TV talk show on PBS' Washington Week. She later became co-anchor of the PBS NewsHour.



New Bias Crime Conviction

A Portland man who attacked two gay men outside a downtown bakery pleaded guilty Friday, the first conviction under the state's new bias crime law. Don Kirchoff, 50, was accused of using homophobic and racial terms against the couple before shoving one of them into a brick wall.

Lilliard Named Best Leader

Who do NBA general managers view as the best leader in the league? Look no further than Portland Trail Blazers guard Damian Lillard. NBA.com released its annual GM survey on Thursday and Lillard earned the top spot when general managers were asked to name the best leader in the NBA.

