

OBITUARIES

Joseph Edward ‘Joe’ Burns

Hermiston
February 1, 1925-February 5, 2015

Joseph Edward “Joe” Burns, 90, died Thursday, February 5, 2015, at his home in Hermiston surrounded by his family. He was born on February 1, 1925, in Portland, Oregon, the son of John William Burns and Mae (Hanna) Burns. When he was two months old his family moved to Condon, Oregon, where he attended grade school and high school. Upon graduation, Joe joined the Army Air Corps and flew missions over Germany as a B-24 bomber pilot with the 8th Army Air Force 389th Bomb Group, stationed in England.

After the war, Joe and his brother Charles established a partnership in 1946. They owned and operated Burns Mortuary in Condon and then acquired Prann Mortuary in Hermiston in 1946, creating Burns Mortuary in Hermiston. They sold the Condon mortuary in 1949 after purchasing the Bomboy’s Mortuary in Pendleton, creating Burns Mortuary in Pendleton. Joe and Charles operated as partners, Joe in Hermiston and Charles in Pendleton, for many years. In 1993, Joe retired and sold Burns Mortuary of Hermiston to his sons, Dan and Kevin.

While in Condon, Joe discovered that a pretty brown-eyed school teacher had moved from South Dakota to teach at the local school. His route to work each day suddenly changed to pass through the school yard and the rest is history. On June 11, 1949, Joe married that young beauty named Arlene Brockel. They moved to Hermiston, Oregon, where they raised their five children.

Joe served in a special session of the Oregon State Legislature in 1971, representing Umatilla, Morrow, Gilliam, Wheeler and Grant counties. He was treasurer of the Oregon State Republican Party for three years and was a member of the Oregon State Board of Health from 1969-1971. He was instrumental in the formation of the nonprofit Hermiston Development Corporation and served as its president for its first 29 years. During his tenure nearly six thousand jobs were created in the Hermiston area. Joe was a leader in the community, serving as chairman of the following organizations: Hermiston Cemetery District, Hermiston Airport Commission, Hermiston Library Board, Good Samaritan Nursing Home Advisory Board, Hermiston Coordinating Council, Western Heritage Savings & Loan, Hermiston City Budget Committee, and the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce (twice), from whom he received

the Distinguished Service Award and was named Man of the Year in 1988. Joe also served on the Hermiston City Council and Good Shepherd Hospital Board of Directors for several years. In 1962 he was honored as Education Man of the Year by the Education Association of Hermiston and in 1986 he received the Volunteer of the Year Award for the State of Oregon, presented by Governor Vic Atiyeh. In 1995 he became the first non-farmer to be chosen for the Oregon State

University Agricultural Hall of Fame for his work on improving economic conditions for agriculture in the Hermiston area. At various times Joe was a member of many service organizations, including Rotary International, VFW, Eagles, Elks, and American Legion. Joe was an active member of Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church; he was past Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus, and a member of the Third Order of St. Francis. He also served as a member of the Eastern Oregon legislative Advisory Committee to the Baker Diocese and the Archdiocese of Portland, Oregon.

Joe was preceded in death by his parents, his brothers Charles and Robert, his sister Anne Bass, grandson Shea and twin granddaughters Amy and April.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Arlene Burns, Hermiston; his daughters Lynn Duus (Paul) of Hermiston and Bev Eagy (Alan) of The Dalles; sons Dan (Cindi), Paul (Billie Jo), and Kevin (Darla), all of Hermiston, sisters Ethel Park of Pendleton and Garnett Huddleston of Salem; 15 grandchildren, five great-grandchildren, and one great-great-granddaughter.

Those who wish may make contributions in Joe’s memory to Vange John Memorial Hospice (Education) or Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church Building Fund c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Recitation of the rosary will be held on Wednesday, February 11, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel, Hermiston, Oregon.

Mass of Christian burial will be held on Thursday, February 12, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, Hermiston, Oregon.

Burial with military honors will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon, is in care of arrangements.



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David Edward Townsend

Elgin
July 22, 1933-February 2, 2015

David Edward Townsend, 81, of Elgin passed away on Monday, February 2, 2015, in Pendleton. A Celebration of Life service was held at the Elgin Christian Church on Friday, February 6th at 11:00 a.m. Interment will be at Elgin Cemetery. A reception for family and friends was held at the Elgin Community Center.

Dave was born July 22, 1933, in La Grande, Oregon, to William E. and Ina (Scott) Townsend. He graduated from Elgin High School in 1951. Dave served our county while in the U.S. Army from 1953-1956. He served most of it in the Korean War.

While in Athena, he spent several years refereeing basketball, which was a big highlight to him. He spent many years farming Oregon, southeast Washington and the Athena area. After leaving farming, he went into long haul trucking and earned an award for driving 3 million safe driving miles, which he was very proud of. In his retirement years, he took up driving a school bus in his home town of



Townsend

Elgin where he really enjoyed the youth community, especially their athletic events. He also enjoyed camping, fishing, gardening, sports of any kind and spending time with his grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Dave is survived by his wife Bonnie of 25 years; Kathy Jo Bloomer and her spouse Gary of Durkee, Ore.; Lisa Fusselman and her spouse Victor of Pendleton, Ore.; Mike and his spouse Teresa of Vail, Ariz.; and Tim of Ontario, Ore. He is also survived by Richard and Rodney Waller of Idaho; 13 grandchildren; and numerous great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, Bill and Ina; one grandchild, Justin Tyler; and two brothers, Richard and Bob.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Elgin School Athletic Programs or a charity of your choice in care of Loveland Funeral Chapel, 1508 Fourth Street, La Grande, OR 97850.

Online condolences may be made to the family at www.lovelandfuneralchapel.com.

Carolyn E. Bergstrom

Pendleton
August 24, 1927-February 4, 2015

Carolyn E. Bergstrom, 87, of Pendleton passed away peacefully on Wednesday, February 4, 2015, at a local care facility. A memorial graveside service will be held at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery on Tuesday, February 10, 2015, at 11 a.m.

She was born August 24, 1927, at Heppner, the daughter of John and Ruth Babcock Bergstrom. She grew up on the family farm near Eight Mile close to Heppner, and received her early education at the Liberty School House at Eight Mile, then attended school in Heppner where she graduated from Heppner High School.

She lived most of her adult

life in Umatilla County, residing in Hermiston, Weston and Athena before settling in Pendleton. Carolyn worked at various jobs including many years at Lamb Weston, from which she retired. She always considered Heppner to be her home and returned often to visit family and friends.

Carolyn leaves behind her nephew Michael Bergstrom and his wife Darcy, and her sister-in-law Rose Bergstrom, all of Heppner, extended family and good friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements.

DEATH NOTICES

Ronald L. ‘Ron’ Parsons

Milton-Freewater
June 9, 1934-Feb. 5, 2015

Ronald L. “Ron” Parsons, 80, of Milton-Freewater died Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, in Walla Walla. He was born June 9, 1934. Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home in Milton-Freewater is in charge of arrangements.

Leona M. ‘Lea’ Winters

Lexington
Dec. 24, 1945-Feb. 5, 2015

Leona M. “Lea” Winters, 49, of Lexington died Thursday, Feb. 5, 2015, at her home. She was born Dec. 24, 1945, in Siloam Springs, Ark. Arrangements are pending at Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner.

HONORS

Olivera named to Dean’s List

PHILADELPHIA — Evangelina Olivera of Pendleton has been named to the fall 2014 dean’s list at University of the Sciences. Selection for this award is based on completing and passing all assigned courses with no grade below a “C” and attaining an academic average of at least 3.4 for courses taken in the fall semester of 2014.

Olivera is a pharmaceutical sciences student.

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UPCOMING SERVICES

SATURDAY, FEB. 7

ALDRICH, CLIFFORD — Placement of military plaque with honors at Highview Cemetery, Ione. A potluck will follow the service at the Ione American Legion Hall, 325 W. Second St. Bring a potluck dish and stories to share.

HALE, BARBARA — Memorial services at 2 p.m. at Peace Lutheran Church, 210 N.W. Ninth St., Pendleton.

JONES, DAVID — Memorial service at 11 a.m. at St. John’s Catholic Church, 412 W. Walnut St., Condon. A potluck luncheon will follow for family and friends in the church parish hall.

MILLER (AINSLIE), SUSAN — Celebration of life from 2-4 p.m. at Bethany Lutheran Church, 4330 N.E. 37th Ave., Portland.

RODIGHERO, SCOTT — Funeral services at 2 p.m. at the Kingdom Hall of Jehovah’s Witnesses, 1113 Lamb St., Milton-Freewater.

WINSTON, ED SR. — Graveside service at 10 a.m. at the Milton-Freewater Cemetery. A memorial service will follow at 2 p.m. at the Richland Community Center, 500 Amon Park Drive, Richland, Wash.

SUNDAY, FEB. 8

SMITH, LIZ — Celebration of life from 3-5 p.m. at the Rainbow Cafe, 209 S. Main St., Pendleton.

MONDAY, FEB. 9

No services scheduled.

TUESDAY, FEB. 10

BARLOW, CECIL — Memorial service with military honors at 4 p.m. at St. Patrick’s Senior Center, 190 N. Main St., Heppner. A reception will follow the service.

BERGSTROM, CAROLYN — Memorial graveside service at 11 a.m. at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, FEB. 9

UMATILLA COUNTY WEED BOARD, 1 p.m., Umatilla County Courthouse room 114, 216 S.E. Fourth St., Pendleton.

NIXYAAWII COMMUNITY SCHOOL BOARD, 4:30 p.m., Nixyawii Community School, 73300 July Grounds Lane, Mission.

PENDLETON SCHOOL BOARD, 6 p.m., IMESD office, 2001 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton.

PILOT ROCK PLANNING COMMISSION PUBLIC HEARING, 6 p.m., Pilot Rock City Hall council chambers, 143 W. Main St. An application for variance at 852 S.W. Cedar will be heard; affected property owners are encouraged to attend. (Teri Porter 541-443-2811).

HERMISTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, 6:30 p.m., district office, 502 W. Standard Ave.

MILTON-FREEWATER SCHOOL BOARD, 5:30 p.m. board workshop, 7 p.m. regular meeting, Central Middle School, 306 S.W. Second St.

ATHENA-WESTON SCHOOL BOARD, 7 p.m., Weston Middle School library, 205 E. Wallace St.

HEPPNER CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St.

HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., City Hall, 180 N.E. Second St.

IRRIGON FIRE DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Irrigon Fire Department, 705 N.E. Main Ave.

MILTON-FREEWATER CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth St.

MORROW COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Morrow Education Center, 315 S.E. Wyoming Ave., Irrigon.

PILOT ROCK FIRE DISTRICT, 7 p.m., 415 N.E. Elm St.

STANFIELD FIRE DISTRICT, 7:30 p.m., Stanfield Fire Station, 280 W. Coe St. (Gene 541-449-

1123).

TUESDAY, FEB. 10

PENDLETON PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION, 12 noon, parks & cemetery office, 865 Tutuilla Road.

PORT OF UMATILLA COMMISSION, 1:15 p.m., port offices, 505 Willamette Ave., Umatilla (McNary).

PENDLETON FARMERS MARKET BOARD, 5:30 p.m., Hawthorne School, 1308 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

WESTON CEMETERY DISTRICT, 6 p.m., Memorial Hall, 210 E. Main St.

PENDLETON LIBRARY BOARD, 6 p.m., Pendleton Public Library meeting room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave.

FOSSIL CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., 401 Main St.

HELIX CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Helix City Hall, 119 Columbia St.

LEXINGTON TOWN COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Town Hall, 425 F St.

MORROW COUNTY FAIR BOARD, 7 p.m., Morrow County Fairgrounds office, 74473 Highway 74, Heppner.

ROADS MAINTENANCE WORKSHOP, 5:30-7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall court annex, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. Food will be provided. (Donna Biggerstaff 541-966-0220).

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 11

UKIAH SCHOOL DISTRICT, 8 a.m., Ukiah School, 201 Hill St.

MORROW COUNTY COURT, 9 a.m., Morrow County Courthouse Annex CSEPP Building, 205 N.E. Third Street, Irrigon.

LOTTERY

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Pick 4

1 p.m.: 6-1-8-3
4 p.m.: 8-3-6-9
7 p.m.: 8-8-5-8
10 p.m.: 9-9-1-6

Friday, Feb. 6

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 5-4-3-5



FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 6

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