

OBITUARIES

Mark Reasoner

Pendleton
March 13, 1928-May 21, 2016

Pendleton resident Mark Reasoner, 88, died Saturday, May 21. Per his request there are no services.

Mark Reasoner was a perfect name for the man who embodied reason and humanism. He was born on March 13, 1928, in an old robber's roost in western Colorado that his father Horace had purchased not long after the Old West was tamed and just before the start of the Great Depression. He grew up with the toughest of cowboys and he learned that "you've gotta be tough when you live out west." As a kid he would play a game with the other children: Each would carve a branch into a club and kill rattlesnakes at the nearby prairie dog town and collect the rattles — the losing team bought the winning team a ten cent hamburger.



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He farmed the Midwestern lands with horse and plow, and raised cattle alongside his brother, Loren, and sister, Carrie; both preceded Mark in death. He left home at 17 years old and avoided the first round of the draft by heading up to Alaska where he worked as a train engineer, and met and mentored young Melvin Bowen who remained his "pal" until Mark's death.

He left Alaska for Portland, Oregon, to help his father, Horace, build a house but was instead drafted into the U.S. Army during the Korean War. "They asked where I wanted to volunteer for and I knew it didn't matter so I told them, to their surprise, to put me on the front line," he said. He served on the front lines alongside longtime friend and comrade Jack Romero, operating the radio to call in mortar fire at Heartbreak Ridge and the Punchbowl. Mark was a true humanist — he befriended a shipload of Colombian men that had served in the Korean War at a time when skin color and language formed a nearly impenetrable boundary for others. He was honorably discharged from the service in 1952.

Mark married Elaine Gray in Portland, Oregon, when he was 29 years old. They adopted three children, from oldest to youngest, Lisa Kelly, Shelley Murphy, and Dennis Reasoner. They moved from the hectic Portland city life to the quiet town of Dayville, Oregon, in 1972. They bought a store called the

Dayville Merc as a longtime friend Arnold Hoselton suggested. Mark was one of the last great cowboys and he was never seen without his boots, cowboy hat, and western shirt. He bought a horse and started team roping and became the mayor of Dayville.

He moved with his wife to Pendleton, Oregon, in 1997 to be closer to their daughter Shelley and her sons Markus and Mason Murphy. Mark served as a close mentor and teacher to his grandchildren and taught them how to be tough and still treat others with kindness. He helped with his daughter's cattle ranch at Skip Farms and helped brand and raise cattle. He also built numerous dog houses, chicken equipment, and other items that made other people's lives a little easier. He fixed all the tools that his grandchildren managed to break and worked diligently in his garden to produce a surplus of fruits and vegetables that he was always giving away. He made an appearance at the Pendleton Round-Up every year over the last 40 years. He was very organized and maintained his property until his death.

In his final moments he was surrounded by his children and grandchildren and felt the love that he had given for the 59 years that he was married to Elaine.

Mark is survived by his loving wife and longtime partner of 59 years, Elaine Reasoner; his three daughters Shelley and husband Michael Murphy, Lisa and husband Adali Kelly, and Sharon and husband Don Havig; his son Dennis Reasoner; his grandchildren Brittany, Brooke, Allysa, Mason, Markus, Corey, Christine and Tim and several stepgrandchildren, and their many children; and his nephews Clyde Carson and Steve Carson.

A special thanks to the staff at CHI St. Anthony hospital for their kindness and attentiveness. A very special thanks to Kathy Fisher and Chrissy Kitchen; Mark's visits to the hospital often were accompanied by a feeling of apprehension muddled with the excitement that he would get to talk with these two very special people that he enjoyed so much.

His final words were "Be good and don't work too hard."

Neil Parker Read

Pendleton
November 18, 1951-May 18, 2016

Neil Parker Read, 64, of Pendleton, Oregon, passed away in his home on Wednesday, May 18th, 2016. He was born on November 18, 1951, and raised in Pendleton by his parents, Earnest Armon Read and Marion Arminda Fox.

Neil attended Sherwood Elementary, John Murray Junior High and Pendleton High School, graduating with the Class of 1970. After graduation, Neil attended Northwest Nazarene College in Nampa, Idaho, receiving his bachelor's degree in business administration. He then worked for Tektronix in Beaverton, Oregon, while earning his Masters of Managerial Accounting from Portland State University. He worked for Tektronix for 14 years and loved to travel the world on their dollar. He also enjoyed taking his parents on adventures and spoke often of their trips to the Bahamas, Alaska, and Hawaii. In 2002, he retired at age 50 after working with Read & Bose CPAs in Pendleton for 14 years.

Neil was a dedicated accountant and had extraordinary mathematical skill. As a little boy, Neil would go to the grocery store with his mother and, as the clerk would take the groceries out of the basket, Neil would add the prices up in his head. Before the clerk



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hit total, they would ask Neil and he would be correct to the penny. Neil was an avid sports historian and statistician, quick to rattle off a team's record or roster from any period of time. During retirement, he spent most of his time watching sports, tracking the stock market, and visiting with his friends on Facebook. His favorite time of year was football season and watching the University of Oregon with his Duck crew, thanks to Patti Johlke and friends.

Neil is survived by his two brothers Max (husband of Sallie) Read of Houston, Texas, and Lonnie (husband of Vickie) Read of Pendleton, Oregon, as well as nieces and nephews Jolynn Corthell, Tami Read Stierma, Steven Read, Kelli Bullington, and Jeffrey Read. He was preceded in death by his parents.

A graveside service will be held on Tuesday, May 31st, 2016, at 2 p.m. at Olney Cemetery in Pendleton. A celebration of Neil's life will follow at The Prodigal Son. All those who knew Neil are invited to attend.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made to the Pendleton Foundation in care of Pioneer Chapel, 131 SE Byers Avenue, Pendleton, OR 97801. To leave condolences for the family online go to www.pioneerchapel.com.

Angela Kay Burnside Goad

Pendleton
November 6, 1963-May 23, 2016

Angela Kay Burnside Goad, a resident of Pendleton, died Monday, May 23, 2016, in Walla Walla, Washington, following a brief illness. She was 52 years old.

Mass of Christian burial was celebrated Wednesday morning, May 25, 2016, at St. Andrew's Catholic Church in Mission, and was followed by burial at St. Andrew's Cemetery. Sign the online condolence book at www.burnsmortuary.com. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements.



Goad

Angela was born November 6, 1963, to Robert D. and Joan (Penny) Burnside at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton, Oregon. She attended Washington Elementary, John Murry, Helen McCune and Pendleton High School in Pendleton. She was involved with FFA and the Eagles Lodge. Angela was a member of St. Andrew's Catholic Church.

She was a character; a crazy, funny person. Her children Shannon, Markus and Brentton served in the military, and Angela was very proud of this. She didn't believe in war, and during Veterans Day she would call into the radio station and request the song "War." She enjoyed sewing, gardening, fishing and hunting.

She is survived by: her husband Tim Goad; her children Brandy Dunfee, Brentton Dunfee, Markus Dunfee and Shannon Dunfee; grandchildren Araileya Toledo, Ira Toledo, Nizhoni Toledo, Brentton Dunfee Jr. and Audrey Dunfee; her parents Bob and Joan Burnside; brothers William Shawyawy, Marvin Shawyawy and Rob Burnside; and sisters Teresa Crane, Gloria Williams, Rena Coccran, Dara Burnside, Katrina Burnside and "Sugar Bear" Eugena Stacone.

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MEETINGS

MONDAY, MAY 30
 No meetings scheduled

TUESDAY, MAY 31
PORT OF MORROW COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING, 10 a.m., Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1
MORROW COUNTY COURT, 9 a.m., Bartholomew Building upper conference room, 110 N. Court St., Hepner.

HERMISTON AIRPORT ADVISORY COMMITTEE, 4 p.m., Hermiston Airport lounge, 1600 Airport Way.

BLUE MOUNTAIN BOARD OF EDUCATION, 6:30 p.m., TBA

PENDLETON FACADE COMMITTEE, 3:30 p.m., Pendleton City Hall administrative council room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave.

CONDON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Condon City Hall, 128 S. Main St.

UMATILLA RURAL FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT, 7 p.m., 305 Willamette Ave., Umatilla (McNary).

HELIX SCHOOL BOARD, 7:30, Helix School library, 120 Main St.

THURSDAY, JUNE 2
PENDLETON DOWNTOWN ASSOCIATION, 7 a.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

ADAMS PLANNING COMMISSION, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St.

PENDLETON PLANNING COMMISSION, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave.

FRIDAY, JUNE 3
 No meetings scheduled

LOTTERY

Thursday, May 26
Lucky Lines
 02-08-12-13-FREE-17-24-26-31
 Estimated jackpot: \$32,000
Pick 4
 1 p.m.: 4-0-5-6
 4 p.m.: 0-6-4-8
 7 p.m.: 9-8-6-6
 10 p.m.: 8-4-2-2

Friday, May 27
Pick 4
 1 p.m.: 9-8-8-5

BRIEFLY

Wolf attack confirmed in UmCo

PENDLETON — Wolves from the Walla Walla Pack are responsible for killing a lamb on private land near the South Fork Walla Walla River in Umatilla County.

On May 20, a sheep herder went out to investigate a disturbance in a band of sheep he was supervising, where he discovered the dead lamb and four wolves. The Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife investigated the next day, and confirmed the attack.

Two days later, ODFW looked into another report of wolf depredation on livestock, this time on a 6-week-old calf in the Mud Creek drainage of Wallowa County. Though GPS coordinates showed two wolves from the Shamrock Pack were in the area, the department determined there was no clear evidence the predator was a wolf and the attack was ruled as "probable."

So far in 2016, ODFW has confirmed eight wolf attacks on livestock across the state.

Hansell appointed to Transient Lodging Tax Work Group

Sen. Bill Hansell (R-Athena) has been appointed to the Transient Lodging Tax Work Group.

The work group is tasked with studying issues related to the state's transient lodging tax and regional tourism, particularly relating to House Bill 4146.

HB 4146 increased the tax from 1 percent to 1.8 percent through June 2020, at which time it will be reduced to 1.5 percent. The original intent of the bill was to fund Track Town, a program coming to Eugene in 2020. But the final version of the bill spreads the revenue throughout the state.

Hansell said in a statement that he accepted the invitation to serve on the work group in order to give Eastern Oregon a voice in the process.

"Although I was a no vote when this lodging tax bill went to the floor, I feel I have an opportunity to help craft the program to be beneficial to those of us in rural Oregon, not just larger Oregon cities," he stated. "The last thing we want is for rural and Eastern Oregon to be left out of the conversation."

SCHOLARSHIPS

Hermiston Basketball Club awards inaugural scholarships

HERMISTON — The Hermiston Basketball Club announced its first ever college scholarships awarded by the group. Dillon Zimmerly and Jansen Edmiston each will receive \$1,500 to be used in the 2016-17 academic year.

Zimmerly is a 2015 graduate of Hermiston High School. He played basketball for HHS all four years, and was on the first team ever registered in the Hermiston Basketball Club. He is currently studying nuclear engineering at Oregon State University.

Edmiston is currently a senior at HHS. She played varsity basketball for four years for the Bulldogs. She will be heading to Lewis Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho, to continue her basketball career at the college level. Basketball has helped her overcome shyness, develop new friendships, and stay focused on her future.



Edmiston



Zimmerly

UPCOMING SERVICES

SATURDAY, MAY 28

BOHANAN, CHARLES — Celebration of life service with military honors at 2 p.m. at the Family Worship Center, 330 N.E. Eighth St., Irrigon.

CAMPBELL, DON — Memorial services at 1 p.m. in the chapel at Burns Mortuary, 336 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. A celebration of life will follow at 2:30 p.m. at the Pendleton Eagles Lodge, 428 S. Main St.

COPELAN ROSS, VIRGINIA — Memorial service at 10 a.m. at the Vert Club Room, 345 S.W. Fourth St., Pendleton.

SUNDAY, MAY 29

FORD, MARJORIE — Celebration of life at 12 noon at McNary Dam Park (across from the road the nature trails are on), Umatilla.

STRONG, WAYNE — Memorial service at 6 p.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1035 S.E. Ninth St., Hermiston.

MONDAY, MAY 30

No services scheduled

TUESDAY, MAY 31

READ, NEIL — Graveside service t 2 p.m. at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton. A celebration of life will follow at the Prodigal Son Brewery & Pub, 230 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton.

"Scramble for Scholarships"
Friday, June 10th
1pm Shotgun Start
Big River Golf Course - Umatilla

Golfers of all skill levels are being invited to participate in the 23rd annual "Scramble for Scholarships" golf tournament. Four person teams can sign up together or individuals pairings can be made by the tournament committee. Your \$70 entry fee covers green fees, a box lunch at noon, and BBQ at the end, plus makes a charitable donation to the foundation to use in awarding scholarships for local health care students. Join us for a fun afternoon of golf for a good cause by calling 541-667-3405. **Entry deadline is June 8th.** Great prize holes and Hole-in-one on #1 wins a Ford Fusion sponsored by Tom Denchel Ford

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