

PBS journalist Gwen Ifill dies of cancer at age 61

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NEW YORK — Gwen Ifill, co-anchor of PBS’ “NewsHour” with Judy Woodruff and a veteran journalist who moderated two vice presidential debates, died Monday of cancer, the network said.

She was 61.
A former reporter for *The New York Times* and *The Washington Post*, Ifill switched to television in the 1990s and covered politics and Congress for NBC News. She moved to PBS in 1999 as host of “Washington Week” and also worked for the nightly “NewsHour” program. She and Woodruff were named co-anchors in 2013.

She moderated vice presidential debates in 2004 and 2008 and authored the book “The Breakthrough: Politics and Race in the Age of Obama.”

The president on Monday praised Ifill for informing today’s citizens while also inspiring a young generation of journalists.

“I always appreciated Gwen’s reporting, even



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In this Oct. 2008 file photo, PBS journalist and debate moderator Gwen Ifill and then-Democratic vice presidential nominee Sen. Joe Biden, D-Del., left, shake hands at the end of his vice presidential debate with Republican rival, Alaska Gov. Sarah Palin in St. Louis, Mo. Ifill died on Monday of cancer. She was 61.

when I was on the receiving end of one of her tough” interviews, Obama said.

Ifill took a leave from “NewsHour” for a month this spring for health reasons, keeping details of her illness private. Her health failing, she left “NewsHour” again shortly before an election night that she and Woodruff would have covered together.

“Gwen was a standard bearer for courage, fairness

and integrity in an industry going through seismic change,” said Sara Just, PBS “NewsHour” executive producer. “She was a mentor to so many across the

industry and her professionalism was respected across the political spectrum. She was a journalist’s journalist and set an example for all around her.”

NBC News’ Pete Williams, a former colleague, struggled to keep his composure Monday when announcing Ifill’s death on MSNBC.

“She had so many awards in her office you could barely see out the window,” Williams said.

U.S. Rep. Elijah Cummings, a Maryland Democrat, said he was a member of the Maryland state legislature when Ifill worked for the *Baltimore Evening Sun*.

“She always demonstrated thoughtful intelligence, determination to uncover the facts, and an innate talent for knowing what truly interested the

public,” Cummings said.

House Minority Leader Nancy Pelosi, D-Calif., called Ifill “a legend.”

“Her dignity and grace, intellect and insight set the standard in American media and public life,” Pelosi said.

Shortly before moderating the debate between Joe Biden and Sarah Palin in 2008, Ifill brushed aside concerns that she might not be fair because she was writing a book about Obama.

“I’ve got a pretty long track record covering politics and news, so I’m not particularly worried that one-day blog chatter is going to destroy my reputation,” she told The Associated Press then.

Ifill, who was black, also questioned why people would assume her book would be favorable toward Obama. “Do you think they

made the same assumptions about Lou Cannon (who is white) when he wrote his book about Reagan?” she said.

In a 2007 opinion piece published in *The New York Times*, Ifill condemned radio host Don Imus’ “nappy-headed hos” reference to Rutgers University female basketball players.

“To his credit, Mr. Imus told the Rev. Al Sharpton yesterday he realizes that, this time, he went way too far,” Ifill wrote.

“Yes, he did. Every time a young black girl shyly approaches me for an autograph or writes or calls or stops me on the street to ask how she can become a journalist, I feel an enormous responsibility,” she said. “It’s more than simply being a role model. I know I have to be a voice for them as well.”

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

FRIDAY

11:23 a.m. - A Chihuahua chased customers outside Elle Salon, 320 E. Elm Ave., Hermiston
12:51 p.m. - Two males fought outside Pendleton City Hall, 500 S.W. Dorion Ave., while a crowd watched.
3:36 p.m. - Pendleton fire and police responded to Southwest Frazer Avenue and 12th Street for a cable or power line down.
4:56 p.m. - A man reported a burglary at a home on Northwest Jewell Drive, Irrigon, and the theft of \$2,500.
6:16 p.m. - A caller reported cars from California followed him and were surrounding his car at the Boardman Sinclair station.
6:43 p.m. Hermiston police responded to West Linda Avenue and 12th Street on a report of a man beating a woman, but officers did not find anyone suspicious.
11:51 p.m. - Four or five intoxicated males fought at a home on West Hermiston Avenue, Hermiston.

SATURDAY

7:34 a.m. - A Hermiston woman on Southeast Sixth Street told police someone was in her apartment and stole a large amount of money and pain pills while she was at the hospital.
2:55 p.m. - A Hermiston woman told police her boyfriend choked her. She then said she did not want police to come, asked for an officer to call her and then started to cry.
8:22 p.m. - A father asked Hermiston police for help with a situation invoking his 13-year-old daughter. He said a man calls her cellphone and claims someone left him the number after a car crash. When she tries to explain she did not hit his car, the man refuses to listen. The father asked police to tell the man he has the wrong number and to stop harassing his daughter.
8:28 p.m. - An Irrigon man reported his ex-wife broke the windows and mirrors of his and his girlfriend’s vehicles.
8:33 p.m. - A 9-1-1 caller told Pendleton he confronted the suspect who tried to break into his pickup on Northwest Bailey Avenue, Pendleton, and ended up the victim of assault.
8:45 p.m. - Several juveniles inside the Pendleton Round-Up Grounds, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., prompted a call to police. Police, though, did not find anyone.
10:51 p.m. - And another Irrigon man reported he tried to get his wife out of the house because she accused him of cheating. Both were drinking, and they made up by the time Morrow County sheriff’s deputies arrived, though they planned to write up something for the district attorney.
11:46 p.m. - Hermiston police cited a male after receiving a report he was letting air out of tires at Midway Bar & Grill, 1750 Highway 395, Hermiston.

SUNDAY

1:12 a.m. - A 9-1-1 caller reported a fight in front of Mosas, 138 S. Main St., Pendleton.
1:46 a.m. - Employees at Midway Bar & Grill, 1750 N. Highway 395, Hermiston, shut down the establishment after two groups grew rowdy with each other and asked police to respond in case there were problems in the parking lot.
10:12 a.m. - A caller reported the theft of tools from a house on the 100 block of South Russell Street, Milton-Freewater.
11:11 a.m. - A caller told Pendleton police she saw someone on Northwest Carden Avenue punch a dog after it tried to run away.
2:09 p.m. - Pendleton police received a report of possible elder abuse or neglect.
2:30 p.m. - A man told Pendleton police he had too much to drink and woke up to find his passport, cash, wallet and cellphone missing.
2:56 p.m. - Someone broke into the Pendleton Farmers Market storage shed at the corner of South Main Street and Southeast Frazier Avenue.
4:43 p.m. - A man reported the theft of his white Ford Explorer from West Orchard Avenue, Hermiston.
3:19 p.m. - One Pendleton resident on Southeast Byers Avenue knocked a two-by-four against the fence and threatened to kill the neighbor’s dogs.
5:18 p.m. - A Hermiston woman reported her father owes money to a man who is harassing her and her family, and even came to her home, opened her mail and inserted his own letters in the envelope.
5:19 p.m. - The scent of marijuana from an apartment on Southwest 14th Street, Pendleton, prompted a landlord to call police.
6:29 p.m. - The Morrow County Sheriff’s Office received information about gossip and comments on social media telling people to commit suicide.
8:38 p.m. - Some pig — some 400-500 pound pig, that is — roamed around houses and yards on Country Garden Road, Irrigon. The Morrow County Sheriff’s Office did not find the fine member of family *Suidae*.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

Thursday

•The Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office reported a deputy arrested Joan Katherine Waldron, 64, of Ukiah, for assaulting and shooting at her adult daughter. Waldron faces several charges, including unlawful use of a weapon, pointing a firearm at another, menacing and fourth-degree assault.
•The Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office arrested Kenneth Harold Cox III, 23, of Hermiston after investigating a disturbance at a residence on Joy Lane near Hermiston. A deputy booked Cox in the county jail, Pendleton, for menacing and reckless endangering, according to the sheriff’s office, after he threatened two women with a shotgun and threatened to run them over with a pickup.
Friday
•Milton-Freewater arrested Scott Allen McIntosh, 47, of 122 S.E. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater, for possession of a stolen vehicle and on a Milton-Freewater warrant.
•Boardman police arrested Nicolas Garza, 18, of 308 S.W. Kinkade Road, Boardman, for first-degree mischief, unauthorized use of vehicle and third-degree theft.
•Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office arrested Isaiah Samuel Tolman, 22, of 287 W. Hartley Ave., Hermiston, for possession of methamphetamine, second-degree trespassing, and giving false information to police.

Tuesday Morning

	STATION		6 AM	6:30	7 AM	7:30	8 AM	8:30	9 AM	9:30	10 AM	10:30	11 AM	11:30
FOX	(11) KFFX	11	AgDay	Hot/ Cleve.	Good Day Spokane				Paid	E. Wild	Steve Harvey		Crime Watch Daily	
	KPTV	3	Good Day Oregon at 6		Good Day Oregon				Good Day		The 700 Club		Rachael Ray (N)	
CBS	(19) KEPR	2	News	News	CBS This Morning (N)				Harry (N)		The Price Is Right		Young & Restless	
	KOIN	19	KOIN 6 News at 6 a.m.		CBS This Morning (N)				Let's Make a Deal		The Price Is Right		Young & Restless	
NBC	(25) KNDU	6	Wake Up Northwest		Today Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, Lily Collins				Today Show II (N)		Today Show III (N)		Million? Million?	
	KGW	8	KGW News at Sunrise		Today Mick Jagger, Keith Richards, Lily Collins				Today Show II (N)		Today Show III (N)		Portland Today	
ABC	(42) KVEW	4	Northwest	Northwest	Good Morning America (N)				Live! With Kelly (N)		The View		Paid	Middle
	KATU	5	KATU News Morning		Good Morning America (N)				AM Northwest		The View		Live! With Kelly (N)	
PBS	(31) KTNW		Stretch	W.L.Yoga	Wild Kratts	Jet Go!	Nature Cat	C.George	D.Tiger	D.Tiger	Sesame St.	Peg + Cat	DinoTrain	Sit and Fit
	(59) OPB	13	Sit and Fit	Jet Go!	Nature Cat	C.George	D.Tiger	D.Tiger	Sesame St.	Peg + Cat	DinoTrain	DinoTrain	SuperWI	Thomas

AFTERNOON

	STATION		12 PM	12:30	1 PM	1:30	2 PM	2:30	3 PM	3:30	4 PM	4:30	5 PM	5:30
FOX	(11) KFFX	11	Paid	Pat. Court	Divorce	Divorce	Judge Mathis		The People's Court		2½Men	Mike&M.	Last Man	Last Man
	KPTV	3	12 O'Clock News		Wendy Williams		The Dr. Oz Show (N)		TMZ Live!		Judge Judy		Judge Judy	
CBS	(19) KEPR	2	NameG.	Bold & B.	The Talk (N)		Let's Make a Deal		Dr. Phil (N)		Judge Judy		Judge Judy	
	KOIN	19	News	Bold & B.	The Talk (N)		The Doctors (N)		Dr. Phil (N)		KOIN 6 News at 4 p.m.		News	
NBC	(25) KNDU	6	TMZ	Paid	Days of Our Lives		Hot Bench	Hot Bench	Wendy Williams		Ellen DeGeneres (N)		News	
	KGW	8	KGW New	Paid	Days of Our Lives		T.D. Jakes (N)		Ellen DeGeneres (N)		KGW News		KGW News	
ABC	(42) KVEW	4	The Chew (N)		General Hospital		The Doctors (N)		Rachael Ray (N)		Minute	Minute	News	News
	KATU	5	The Chew (N)		General Hospital		Harry (N)		Afternoon Live		KATU News @ 4		News	News
PBS	(31) KTNW		Charlie Rose		TestK	Art	Stretch	Thomas	Arthur	Nature Cat	Jet Go!	Odd Squad	Wild Kratts	Business
	(59) OPB	13	Art	Jazzy Veg.	Charlie Rose		Nature Cat	Bob Build	Cat/ Hat	Jet Go!	Speaks	WordGirl	Odd Squad	Wild Kratts

EVENING

	STATION		6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
FOX	(11) KFFX	11	Modern Fam "Send Out the Clowns"	Modern Family "The Last Walt"	2 Broke G. "And the Disappearing Bed"	2 Broke Girls "And the Fat Cat"	Brooklyn "Monster in the Closet" (N)	New Girl "Ready" (N)	Scream Channel makes a plan to put the new patients to use by recruiting them to join the Chaneles.		FOX News First at Ten	:35 Law&C When an ear surgeon is found murdered in his office, the detectives suspect a drug pusher.	:35 Anger M. "Charlie and the Sting"	
	KPTV	3	6 O'Clock News		Family Feud	Family Feud	Brooklyn 99 (N)	New Girl (N)	ScreamQueens "Chanel Pour Homme-icide" (N)		10 O'Clock News		11 O'Clock News	2 Broke Girls
CBS	(19) KEPR	2	Action News at 6 p.m.	Inside Edition	The Big Bang Theory		The Simpsons		NCIS Torres boldly breaks protocol when he learns a witness is wanted by customs. (N)		NCIS:NO Pride & the team investigate the murder of a petty officer weeks away from graduation.		Action News at 11:00 p.m.	:35 Stephen Colbert
	KOIN	19	KOIN Local 6 at 6	Evening News	Extra	Ent. Tonight	NCIS "Home of the Brave" (N)		Bull "Bedside Manner" (N)		NCIS: New Orleans "One Good Man" (N)		KOIN 6 News/ 11	:35 S. Colbert
NBC	(25) KNDU	6	Local News	Family Feud	Wheel of Fortune	Jeopardy!	Voice Ten artists move to the next round and the bottom two fight to stay in the competition.		This Is Us When Beth and William spend time together, a secret is revealed. (N)		Chi.Fire Casey is unable to rescue a woman who becomes trapped inside her burning home. (N)		Local News	:35 Tonight Warren Beatty
	KGW	8	KGW News at 6:00 p.m.		Live at Seven	Inside Edition	Voice "The Live Top 12 Eliminations" (N)		This Is Us (N)		Chicago Fire "I Held Her Hand" (N)		KGW News at 11	:35 Tonight
ABC	(42) KVEW	4	Extra	Local News at 6:30	Entertainment Tonight	The Insider	The Middle "Roadkill" (N)	American Housewife "The Snub" (N)	Fresh Off-Boat "No Thanks-giving" (N)	O'Neals "The Real Tradition" (N)	D.Blaine David Blaine blows the minds of the most recognizable celebrities in the world.		Local News at 11	:35 Jimmy Kimmel Live
	KATU	5	KATU News at 6		Jeopardy!	Wheel of Fortune	The Middle (N)	Am.Housewife (N)	Fresh Off-Boat (N)	O'Neals (N)	David Blaine: Beyond Magic (N)		KATU News	:35 Jimmy Kimmel
PBS	(31) KTNW		PBS NewsHour		BBC World News		Black America A personal journey through the last 50 years of African American history. (N)		Black America A personal journey through the last 50 years of African American history. (N)		Soundbreak "Painting With Sound" (N)		Charlie Rose (N)	
	(59) OPB	13	Ask This Old House	Nightly Business	PBS NewsHour		Black America A personal journey through the last 50 years of African American history. (N)		Black America A personal journey through the last 50 years of African American history. (N)		Soundbreak "Painting With Sound" (N)		SpeakE. "David Crosby and Wynton Marsalis"	
	STATION	PEN	6 PM	6:30	7 PM	7:30	8 PM	8:30	9 PM	9:30	10 PM	10:30	11 PM	11:30
A&E	52		The First 48 "Life Snatched"		Intervention "Sonia and Julia"		Intervention "Daniel/ Robert"		Intervention		Codependent "Eric and Amy"		:10 The First 48	:40 The First 48
	60		Armageddon A drill rigger & his crew embark on a mission to blow up an asteroid heading for Earth.		Ender's Game Asa Butterfield. A boy leads the fight against a genocidal alien race bent on taking over Earth.		Ender's Game Asa Butterfield. A boy leads the fight against a genocidal alien race bent on taking over Earth.		Ender's Game Asa Butterfield. A boy leads the fight against a genocidal alien race bent on taking over Earth.		Predators ("10, Sci-Fi) Topher Grace, Adrien Brody.		Predators ("10, Sci-Fi) Topher Grace, Adrien Brody.	
ANPL	24		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters		Treehouse Masters	
CMT	43		Walk the Line ("05, Bio) Joaquin Phoenix.		Walk the Line ("05, Bio) Joaquin Phoenix.		Walk the Line ("05, Bio) Joaquin Phoenix.		Walk the Line ("05, Bio) Joaquin Phoenix.		Reese Witherspoon, Joaquin Phoenix.		Reese Witherspoon, Joaquin Phoenix.	
CNBC	72		Shark Tank		The Profit in Cuba (N)		Shark Tank		Shark Tank		The Profit in Cuba		Paid	Paid
CNN	68		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight		CNN Tonight		Anderson Cooper 360		Anderson Cooper 360		CNN Tonight	
DISC	51		Moonshiners		Moonshiners		Moonshiners (N)		Moonshiners (N)		:05 Homicide H. (N)		:05 Moonshiners	
DISN	26		Bizaard.	Girl World	Cali Style	Cali Style	MECH-X4	Underc.	Bunk'd	StuckMid	The Lodge		Bizaard.	Walk
ESPN	33		FballPlayoff "Top 25" Kansas Site: Madison Square Garden (L)		NCAA Basketball Champions Classic Duke vs. Kansas		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter		SportsCenter	
ESPN2	34		NCAA Football (L)		SportsCenter		SportsC.		Fantasy FB	NFL Live	Fantasy FB J & J (N)		Fantasy FB J & J	
FNC	66		The Kelly File		Hannity		The O'Reilly Factor		The Kelly File		Hannity		On the Record	
FOOD	61		Chopped		Chopped		Chopped Junior (N)		Chopped Junior		Chopped		Chopped	
FREE	32		The Blind Side		Sandra Bullock.		Ben & Lauren (N)		Ben & Lauren (N)		Ben & Lauren (N)		The 700 Club	
FX	65		The Vow ("12, Dra) Rachel McAdams.		The Fault in Our Stars ("14, Dra) Ansel Elgort.		The Fault in Our Stars ("14, Dra) Ansel Elgort.		The Fault in Our Stars ("14, Dra) Ansel Elgort.		Shailene Woodley.		The Fault in Our Stars ("14, Dra) Ansel Elgort.	
GOLF	88		DriverDriver "The Test"		Driver vs. Driver (N)		PGA Tour		PGA Tour	DriverDriver "The Test"	Driver "The Spotlight"		PGA Tour	
GSN	76		Window Warriors (N)		Idiotest		Idiotest		Fam. Feud		Fam. Feud	Window Warriors	Winsanity	Winsanity
HALL	87		Window Wonderland		Chlyer Leigh.		12 Gifts of Christmas ("15, Fam) Katrina Law.		12 Gifts of Christmas ("15, Fam) Katrina Law.		A Very Merry Mix-Up Alicia Witt.		A Very Merry Mix-Up Alicia Witt.	
HGTV	62		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		Fixer Upper		H.Hunt (N)		House (N)	Fixer Upper
HIST	50		Curse of Oak Island "Voices from Below"		Oak Island "Secrets and Revelations"		Drilling Down "The Boys Are Back" (N)		Curse of Oak Island "Going for Broke" (N)		:05 Hunting Hitler (SP) (N)		:05 Hunting Hitler	
LIFE	29		Dance Moms		Dance Moms		Dance Moms: Chat (N)		Dance Moms (N)		30 Grandma (N)		Little Women: Dallas	
NICK	27		H.Danger	H.Danger	Paradise	Thunder	Thunder	MegaLife	Full House	Full House	Full House	Full House	Friends	Friends
ROOT	37		NCAA Basket. (L)		Mark Few (N)		Champions Tennis Legends PowerShares Series - New Haven, Conn.		Crashed Ice		The Mark Few Show		NCAA Football UC Davis vs. Montana State	
SPIKE	42		Ink Master Games		Ink Master		Ink Master "Duck and Cover Up"		Ink Master "Road to the Finale"		Ink Master "Heavy Lifting" (N)		Ink Master	
SYFY	67		You're Next		Jeepers Creepers 2 ('03, Hor)		Ray Wise.		Channel Zero (N)		Aftermath (N)		Lake Placid vs. An...	
TBS	59		Seinfeld	Seinf. "The Voice"	Seinfeld	Seinf. "The Blood"	Big Bang Theory		Big Bang Theory		Big Bang Theory		Big Bang Theory	
TCM	56		The Candidate		Mr. Smith Goes to Washington An idealist finds nothing but corruption in the U.S. Senate.		Washington An idealist finds nothing but corruption in the U.S. Senate.		The Best Man Two presidential hopefuls get caught up in the dirty side of politics.		The Best Man Two presidential hopefuls get caught up in the dirty side of politics.		Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream H...	
TLC	49		OutDaughtered		OutD.		Counting		Daughter "Catching Up with the Quints" (N)		Daughter "Catching Up with the Quints" (N)		:05 Counting On	
TNT	57		Star Wars: Episode VI: Return of the Jedi		Mark Hamill.		Jedi Mark Hamill.		Good Behavior (N)		Good Behavior		Good Behavior	
UNI	21		Includo		Noticiero		La rosa de Guadalupe		Despertar contingo		Vino el amor		El color de la pasion	
USA	58		G.I. Joe: Retaliation		G.I. Joe: Retaliation		WWE Smackdown! (N)		WWE Smackdown! (N)		Shooter (N)		Salt	
WE	118		Law&Order "Amends"		Law & Order "Thin Ice"		Law & Order "Hubris"		Law & Order		Law & Order		Law & Order: C.I.	
WGN			Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Cops	Rules	Rules
STZ ENC	644		Always		Signs ('02, Thril)		Mel Gibson.		Office Space		Office Space		Working Girl	
HBO	518		Movie	Bill Maher	Vice News		Westworld		Westworld		The Revenant		Leonardo DiCaprio.	
HBO2	520		Joy ("15, Com/Dra)		Jennifer Lawrence.		Bill Maher		By the Sea ("15, Dra)		Brad Pitt, Angelina Jolie.		Wednes	
HBO3	521		The Bourne Ultim...		Transamerica		Felicity Huffman.		Children of Men		Clive Owen.		Last Week	
MAX	549		Wild	Unfinished Business	Vince Vaughn.		Criminal Activities		Criminal Activities		Hostage ('05, Act)		Bruce Willis.	
SHOW	578		Mission: Impossible II		Tom Cruise.		Shameless		Inside the NFL (N)		F.State		F.State	
STARZ	621		Ash/Evil		Brooklyn's Finest ('09, Act)		Richard Gere.		Ash/Evil		One More Time		The Rookie	