

OBITUARIES

Minford Dale 'Mint' Greninger Sr.

Mesa, Arizona
March 2, 2021



Greninger

How do you take 68 years of life and 47 years of marriage and put it on paper? The truth is, you don't.

Minford Dale Greninger Sr. was a husband, father, grandfather, son, brother, friend, uncle, and safe-haven for many. He was a stubborn SOB, but man did he love with every piece of his heart. Not everyone got the same version of Mint, but everyone who knew him loved him.

Mint started his life at 17 when he joined the U.S. Army and fought in the Vietnam war. He was a doorgunner and worked the front lines. After two years in the service, Mint received an honorable discharge with a Bronze Star and was sent home to marry his high school sweetheart, Jeannie Kaye Stone.

After eight years of marriage. Mint and Jeannie added three new additions to their home: Dail Rae, Samantha Jean, and Minford Dale Jr.

Mint spent his days doing what he was passionate about: rebuilding and repairing airplanes. He owned his own business, Alaska Flightline, in the small town of Homer, Alaska, for 20 years, a business that he and his late father built together. But winters were tough, and money was tight. Mint closed the business and moved his family to California.

After two years and two jobs, Mint found a temporary placement in Phoenix, Arizona, working overnights for PanAm. But the schedule was tough, and themoney wasn't right for his level of talent. He finally found a permanent placement at Chandler Aviation, where he stayed until his retirement in 2008.

In retirement, Mint and his wife of 47 years spent their

days gardening and watching old westerns, Judge Judy, and a few other favorites. Over the years, they had Spike, Sweetpea, Stripe, Chewy, and TC to keep them company. Every Sunday, the house was filled with the laughter and love of their two younger children and their grandkids.

Mint loved to entertain and never passed up the opportunity for a reason to party. He spent his final Christmas with family in 2020, surrounded with love and laughter one last time.

On March 2, 2021, one day after celebrating his 47th wedding anniversary with the love of his life, Jeannie, the two went to bed. Sometime in the night, Mint passed peacefully in his sleep next to his beautiful bride.

Mint now joins his mother, Barbara, father Dale, and many others in Heaven. He leaves behind his wife Jeannie and younger brother Charles "Chaz"; his daughter Dail and her husband, Ray, and their children Justin, Allan, Raymond, Malcolm, King, Lailah and Lilly; his daughter Samantha Jean and her husband Ryan, and their daughter Kyla; and his son Minford Dale Jr. and wife Khristyl, and their children Brylee, Jalee, Annalee, Tinalee and Minford III. He also leaves behind more friends than could ever be listed and a lifetime of love and memories. Mint was an amazing man who is gone but never forgotten.

"And the cat's in the cradle and the silver spoon/ Little Boy Blue and the man in the moon/ 'When you coming home, Dad?' 'I don't know when/ But we'll get together then/ You know we'll have a good time then.'" ("Cat's in the Cradle" — Harry Chapin)

William Forest 'Bill' Keyser

Umatilla
September 22, 1939 — March 10, 2021



Keyser

William Forest "Bill" Keyser of Umatilla was born September 22, 1939, in Paris, Ohio, the son of William and Marjorie (Wartman) Keyser. He passed away in Milton-Freewater, Oregon, on Wednesday, March 10, 2021, at the age of 81.

Bill lived in Louisville, Ohio, throughout his childhood where he attended school. While in high school, he excelled at football and was named the Bandit for his ability to steal the ball. He graduated from Louisville High School in the Class of 1958. He then enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves, where he served for several years.

After high school, Bill worked for a steel mill in Ohio until the early 1970s. In 1972, he moved to Oregon and began working for Fairbanks Scale. In the late 1970s his job brought him to Eastern Oregon, when he settled in the community of Umatilla. He worked for Fairbanks Scale for 33 years and was a senior scale technician when he retired in 2005.

Bill lived on the 17th hole of Big River Golf Course in Umatilla, where he frequently golfed and was known to extend his yard work onto the golf course. He would prune trees and bushes, trap rodents or

anything he could do to make things better. He loved going deer and elk hunting with his son and grandson, where his desire to make the world a better place continued in the forest. He was a member of the American Legion Post #37.

Bill married Barbara Aiken in 1958 in Louisville, Ohio, and from this union four children were born. The couple divorced several years later. He later married Sandra Moore in Umatilla, Oregon, on March 6, 1993.

He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Sandra; children Robin Deem, William V. "Butch" Keyser, Anna Keyser Guy and Matthew J. Keyser; stepsons Robert and Greg Gaines; sister Mona Lou Garrott; 12 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren; and many extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents, and brothers Ted, Fred and Tim.

A graveside service with military honors will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, March 26, 2021, at the Sunset Hills Cemetery in Umatilla, Oregon.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. To leave an online condolence for the family, please go to www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Debra Kay 'Debbie' Davis

Island City
November 27, 1962 — November 1, 2020



Davis

Debra (Debbie) Kay Davis, age 57, formerly of Stanfield, passed away unexpectedly at her home in Island City the afternoon of November 1, 2020.

Debbie was born to William Fred Davis and Sandra Joyce Lare on November 27, 1962, in Baker, Oregon. She grew up in North Powder on the family cattle ranch. Debbie attended elementary through high school in North Powder, where she played the trumpet in band and was active in basketball and volleyball. Debbie also loved to ride horses and was a 4H member and princess on the Catherine Creek Junior Rodeo Court in 1979-80.

Debbie moved with her family to La Grande in 1980 after the family sold its North Powder ranch, but her adventurous spirit took her to many places. In 1986, she met Vance Motz, and their daughter, Breanna, was born in 1988. In 2013, Debbie's grandson, Ayden, joined their family. He was his grandma's pride and joy! Debbie was fiercely proud of her family

and enjoyed being with all of them. She also loved animals, especially her cats and dogs.

Debbie was a caregiver throughout her life for clients, friends and family. Her life was a living example of Christ's love, and her faith carried her through obstacles and helped her celebrate victories.

Debbie is survived by her daughter, Breanna Marie Davis, and grandson, Ayden William Davis, both of Island City; mother Sandra Davis and brother Jeffrey Davis, both of La Grande; stepmother Marilee Davis of Nampa, Idaho; aunt Jessie Cox of Spokane; and uncle Gayle Ramey of Murrieta, California.

Her father, William Davis, passed away on Feb. 26, 2021. She was preceded in death by her grandparents William Ernest and Vivian Clare McGrath Davis and Harrison Earl and Marie Miller Lare.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Scleroderma Foundation, 300 Rosewood Drive, Suite 105, Danvers, MA 01923 or a charity of choice.

UPCOMING SERVICES

THURSDAY, MARCH 18

No services scheduled

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

CAMPBELL, TOM — Recitation of the rosary at 9:30 a.m. at St. John's Catholic Church, 103 S. Lincoln St., Condon, followed by a graveside service at 11 a.m. at St. Joseph's Cemetery, Condon.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

ZABRANSKY, NORMA — Viewing at 10 a.m. followed by a memorial service at 11 a.m. at the church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 850 S.W. 11th St., Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Stanfield Cemetery.

DEATH NOTICES

Laura Dee Casper

Hermiston
Dec. 9, 1930 — March 7, 2021

Laura Dee Casper, 90, of Hermiston, died Sunday, March 7, 2021, at her home. She was born Dec. 9, 1930, in Parma, Idaho. A private family burial will be at the Hermiston Cemetery. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Share memories with the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Shirley 'Jean' Craig

Pendleton
Aug. 15, 1932 — March 10, 2021

Shirley "Jean" Craig, 88, died Wednesday, March 10, 2021, in Pendleton. She was born Aug. 15, 1932, in Alberta, Canada. Per her request, no services will be held.

Lisa A. Guyon Credille

Hermiston
Nov. 8, 1962 — Feb. 24, 2021

Lisa A. Guyon Credille, 58, of Hermiston, died Wednesday, Feb. 24, 2021, in Richland, Washington. She was born Nov. 8, 1962, in Escondido, California. Services are pending with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories with the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Rose Marie Groshong

Pendleton
Jan. 24, 1942 — March 13, 2021

Rose Marie Groshong, 79, of Pendleton, died Saturday, March 13, 2021, at her home. She was born Jan. 24, 1942, in Gold Bar, Washington. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of the arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com.

Maria I. Gutierrez

Umatilla
May 15, 1948 — Jan. 26, 2021

Maria I. Gutierrez, 72, of Umatilla, died Tuesday, Jan. 26, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born May 15, 1948, in Michoacan, Mexico. A private family burial was held at the Hermiston Cemetery. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Share memories with the family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Garey L. Muth

Benton City, Washington
Oct. 16, 1945 — March 11, 2021

Garey L. Muth, 75, of Benton City, Washington, died Thursday, March 11, 2021, at his home. He was born Oct. 16, 1945, in Scottsbluff, Nebraska. A private family gathering will be held. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. Share memories with the family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Stanley W. Todd

Pendleton
Aug. 8, 1944 — March 16, 2021

Stanley W. Todd, 76, of Pendleton, died Tuesday, March 16, 2021, at his home. He was born Aug. 8, 1944, in Taft, California. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com.

Douglas A. Voyles

Pendleton
Nov. 12, 1955 — March 15, 2021

Douglas A. Voyles, 65, of Pendleton, died Monday, March 15, 2021, at his home. He was born Nov. 12, 1955, in Napa, California. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of the arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com.

PUBLIC SAFETY

MONDAY

7:45 a.m. — Police responded to a report of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle at Roundup City Plumbing on Airport Road in Pendleton.

9:00 a.m. — Police responded to a reported burglary at S&K Storage on Southwest Eighth Street in Pendleton.

11:32 a.m. — A domestic disturbance occurred at 1917 Southeast Byers Place in Pendleton.

1:03 p.m. — A domestic disturbance occurred on North First Street in Hermiston.

1:12 p.m. — Police responded to a reported burglary on Southeast Sixth Street in Hermiston.

2:37 p.m. — Police responded to the report of the unauthorized use of a motor vehicle at the intersection of Birch Creek Road and Hood Road in Milton-Freewater.

8:08 p.m. — Police responded to a reported assault on Eastside Road in Milton-Freewater.

10:50 p.m. — Police responded to a reported assault on Eastside Road in Milton-Freewater.

TUESDAY

7:22 a.m. — Police responded to the report of a missing juvenile at Juniper Drive in Boardman.

12:49 p.m. — Police responded to a reported burglary at North Star Storage Units on Joy Lane in Hermiston.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

•The Oregon State Police arrested Sorcha Starn, 31, on four misdemeanor counts, including one count of providing false or fraudulent information, failing to carry or present a license, reckless driving and in-state hold.

•The Umatilla Tribal Police arrested Matthew David Johnson, 43, on four misdemeanor counts, including second-degree disorderly conduct, menacing, fourth-degree assault and attempting to commit a crime.

•The Pendleton Police Department arrested Marvin Richard Strong, 38, on three counts, including felony strangulation, fourth-degree assault and contempt of court.

•The Umatilla Tribal Police arrested Letisha Gayle Jefferson, 34, on two felony counts, including dangerous drugs and criminal activity in drugs.

•The Umatilla Tribal Police arrested Patrick T. Jefferson, 31, on two felony counts, including dangerous drugs and criminal activity in drugs.

•The Umatilla Tribal Police arrested Terrence Randall, 31, on two felony counts, including dangerous drugs and criminal activity in drugs.

Sponsor List:

- A & G Property Management & Maintenance
- Barton Laser Leveling
- Blue Mountain Community College
- Blue Mountain Diagnostic Imaging
- CHI St. Anthony Hospital
- CMG Financial
- CMG Financial
- Columbia Point Equipment Company
- Corteva Agriscience
- Davita Blue Mountain Kidney Center
- Desire For Healing Inc
- Duchek Construction
- Hill Meat Company
- Jeremy J Larson DMD LLC
- Kirby Nagelhout Construction Co.

- Kopacz Nursery & Florist
- Landmark Tax Services
- McEntire Dental
- McKay Creek Estates
- NW Metal Fabricators Inc
- Pendleton KOA
- Pendleton Roofing LLC
- RE/MAX Cornerstone
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- Sun Terrace Hermiston
- The RBH Group LLC
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