

**DEATH NOTICES**

**Clara 'Ellen' Brown**

**Dec. 19, 1928 — Nov. 4, 2021**  
Hermiston

Clara "Ellen" Brown, 92, of Hermiston, died, Nov. 4, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born Dec. 19, 1928, in Kendrick, Idaho. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church, Hermiston. A private burial will be at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Ellen with her family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Margaret A. Engelhart**

**Sept. 9, 1929 — Nov. 2, 2021**  
Hermiston

Margaret A. Engelhart, 92, of Hermiston, died Nov. 2, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born Sept. 9, 1929, in Stockton, California. A private family burial will be held at the Hermiston Cemetery. A memorial service will be held Monday, Dec. 27, 2021, at 11 a.m. at the Seventh-day Adventist Church, 855 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Pendleton. Please share memories of Margaret with her family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Samuel S. 'Sam' Gardner Jr.**

**Feb. 1, 1937 — Nov. 4, 2021**  
Stanfield

Samuel S. "Sam" Gardner Jr., 84, of Stanfield, died Nov. 4, 2021, at his home. He was born Feb. 1, 1937, in Eureka, Utah. A private burial will be held in Cloverdale, Idaho. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Sam with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Jack A. Hodgdon**

**Feb. 2, 1933 — Nov. 5, 2021**  
Formerly Hermiston

Jack A. Hodgdon, 88, former Hermiston resident, now of Pendleton, died Nov. 5, 2021. He was born on Feb. 2, 1933, in Portland. At his request there will be no service. A private burial will be held at Willamette National Cemetery, Portland. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Jack with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Billy J. 'Bill' Kalb**

**Feb. 10, 1944 — Nov. 1, 2021**  
Hermiston

Billy J. "Bill" Kalb, 77, of Hermiston, died Nov. 1, 2021, in Hermiston. He was born Feb. 10, 1944, in Sacramento, California. Services are pending. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Bill with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Carol A. Reed**

**April 15, 1942 — Nov. 10, 2021**  
Pendleton

Carol A. Reed, 79, of Pendleton, died Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021, at her home. She was born April 15, 1942, in Pendleton. A service will be held at a later date. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Pendleton. Sign the online guestbook at burnsmortuary.com

**Robert V. 'Bob' Scaplehorn**

**Feb. 18, 1945 — Nov. 7, 2021**  
Umatilla

Robert V. "Bob" Scaplehorn, 76, of Umatilla, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021, at his home. He was born Feb. 18, 1945, in the Bronx, New York. Services are pending. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Bob with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Eva Louise Seibel**

**April 21, 1926 — Nov. 7, 2021**  
Milton-Freewater

Eva Louise Seibel, 95, of Milton-Freewater, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021, at her home. She was born April 21, 1926. Arrangements are with Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home of Milton-Freewater.

**Larry W. Shoemaker**

**Nov. 24, 1953 — Nov. 1, 2021**  
Hermiston

Larry W. Shoemaker, 67, of Hermiston, died Nov. 1, 2021, in Richland, Washington. He was born Nov. 24, 1953, in Walla Walla. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Larry with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Gary L. Skogley**

**Nov. 5, 1955 — Nov. 7, 2021**  
Hermiston

Gary L. Skogley, 66, of Hermiston, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021, at his home. He was born Nov. 5, 1955, in Othello, Washington. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Gary with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**OBITUARIES**

**Donald Leonard Lee Horne**

**Jan. 30, 1942 — Oct. 31, 2021**  
Pendleton

Donald Leonard Lee Horne, 79, passed away Oct. 31, 2021, in Portland, Oregon, after a month-long battle with pneumonia brought on by COVID-19.

He was born in Portland, Oregon, Jan. 30, 1942, to Constance and Malcolm Horne and lived there all of his life until he moved to Pendleton, Oregon, in 2012 to be closer to his family.

He grew up in Portland and attended school there. In his early 20s, he met Lita Jeanne Baxter, who had recently moved in next door and they were married in Sept. of 1963. Within a couple of years, they had started a family, Stephanie born in 1965 and Susan, born in 1967. They later divorced and he never remarried. He had many interests, including photography, fishing, hunting and genealogy. Don liked to go bird hunting with his dad, Mal. In his younger days he loved to box at the local gym, and picked up scuba diving, and even went skydiving. In his early 30s. He lived for all of life's experiences.

He was a great conversationalist and loved to swap stories of things he had seen and done, both in his younger days, working at the plywood plant and later as he worked as an over the road truck driver and other jobs.

He had a stroke in 2004 that affected his left side that he overcame with a strength

of will that surprised many, and went back to work until he retired.

He loved seeing his grandchildren when they came to visit him in Portland, going to the zoo and the "duck park," and also loved spending time with and spoiling his great-grandchildren.

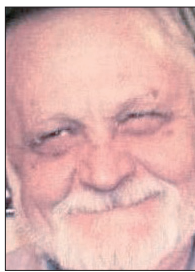
He shared his love of sci-fi with his children and grandchildren and he loved watching anything with aliens, abduction, ancient history and adventure. It was one of his regrets that he never got to see a UFO.

Don had a huge heart for all animals and took care of many stray cats and enjoyed his pet cats through the years.

Don is survived by his daughter, Susan Simpson; his granddaughter, Victoria Horne; and his beloved great-grandchildren, Leanna, Myles and Hesh all of Pendleton; and seven other grandchildren, Cole Gruensfelder of Helena, Montana, Sean Horne-Spencer of Bozeman, Montana, Trevin Horne of Dillon, Montana; Allison Agee of Big Timber, Montana; Hannah Cooley of Big Timber, Montana; Reed Cooley of Musselshell, Montana; and Emily Cooley of Big Timber, Montana; and four other great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in passing by his daughter, Stephanie Cooley in 2017, and his parents.

A memorial service is being planned for Nov. 20, 2021.



Horne

**Evelyn Diane Leahy**

**April 20, 1953 — Nov. 9, 2021**  
Medford

Evelyn Diane Leahy was born April 20, 1953, in Pendleton, Oregon. She died Nov. 9, 2021, at her home in Medford, Oregon, in the loving presence of her four children.

Diane, the daughter of Ronald and Evelyn Black, spent her formative years in Boardman, Oregon. She graduated from Riverside High School as valedictorian in 1971, and went on to Eastern Oregon College, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Education, Magna Cum Laude.

In 1978, Diane started working at Bechtel, where she met James Leahy. They got married in 1979 and shared a life rich in love, family, and travel until his passing in 2018.

Diane had a deep fondness for the open skies of Eastern Oregon, yet lived in many places: Oregon, Montana, Oregon, California, England, back to California, Oregon again, Maryland, California yet again, and back to Oregon. Her sense of adventure took her to all corners of the earth. Her favorite spots included the Amalfi Coast, Malta, Jamaica, Ireland, and Portugal.



Leahy

She was a consummate host who brought music, dancing and laughter into all of her homes. Diane had an uncanny ability to make others feel understood and accepted. As a result, she created community everywhere she went.

Diane's kindness will be her legacy. A natural-born teacher, she imbued her children with strong morals and a sense of independence. They are forever grateful.

Diane is survived by her children, Andrew, Alexandra, Allison, Amanda; and grandchildren, Iris, Cooper, Nathaniel, Robert Alden and Julian Avery.

Her funeral will be held at Riverview Cemetery in Boardman at 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 14, 2021. A private, family celebration of life will take place in Medford on Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be sent to Riverside High School.

Please share memories of Diane with her family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

**Lilly Y. Chinn**

**Dec. 27, 1930 — Nov. 10, 2021**  
Hermiston

Lilly Y. Chinn, of Hermiston, was born Dec. 27, 1930, in Guang Zhou, Toi Shan, Nam Chuan, China, the daughter of Hay Yee and Kam Yee (Chinn) Wong. She passed away in Hermiston Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021, at the age of 90.

Lilly grew up and attended her school in China. She met and married Daniel Edward Chinn in China in 1948. In 1949, the couple fled mainland China during the Communist takeover and moved to Hong Kong. They moved to the United States and settled into Hermiston, Oregon, in 1952 where she has resided since. Lilly owned and operated the Hong Kong Cafe Restaurant in Hermiston for many years until retiring in 1996. She also bought and sold real estate in the Hermiston area for many years.

Lilly enjoyed gardening, painting, doing arts and crafts and was a member of the Arts & Crafts on the Dry Side Club. She was a long time member of St. John's Episcopal Church in Hermiston.

She is survived by her children, Pearl Stein of Issaquah, Washington, Sherry Chinn of Hermiston and Bill Chinn of Castro Valley, California; two

grandchildren, Spencer Chinn and Koen Chinn; sisters, Diane Tang of San Francisco, and Irene Shu of Oregon City; and several extended family members.

She was preceded in death by her husband Daniel in 1991; her parents; an infant brother and an adopted brother, Sidney Wong.

A memorial service will be held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021, at Living Faith Church, 1611 Diagonal Blvd., Hermiston. The service will also be livestreamed from the Living Faith Church website, YouTube channel and Facebook page. A private burial will be in the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

To leave an online condolence for the family please go to burnsmortuaryhermiston.com



Chinn

**Beverly M. Wright**

**Dec. 8, 1930 — Nov. 7, 2021**  
Heppner

Beverly M. Wright, 90, longtime Heppner resident, died Sunday, Nov. 7, 2021, in Pendleton. A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m., Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021, at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

She was born Dec. 8, 1930, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, to Ethel Marie Simacek, Ethel married William Maness and they lived in St. Paul, Minnesota until Beverly was 10 years old, they then moved to Oregon, living in Portland, Hardman, Lena, and Rhea Creek. She attended school in Hardman and Heppner. After high school, she moved to Pendleton to live with her mother and stepdad, Jack Perkins.

Beverly worked for a time at the telephone company before cleaning houses to make a living. She met and married the love of her life, Albert Wright from Rhea Creek when he was home after his discharge from the Navy. The couple was married in Portland, Sept. 19, 1950.

They started their married life in Hardman, but also lived on Rhea Creek, Lebanon, Oregon, and Sweet Home, Oregon, before the ranch on Rhea Creek needed them back. The lived at the ranch until their three children graduated from high school. Beverly lived at their home in Heppner until 2019 when she moved to Willow Creek Terrace Assisted

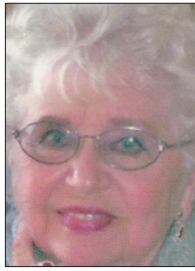
Living in Heppner, then on to Sun Terrace in Hermiston in 2020, and then lived at McKay Creek Estate in Pendleton until her death.

Survivors include, son, Larry Welte and his wife Stephanie; son, Dean Wright; daughter, Dianna Hoefl and her husband Gerald; grandchildren, Becca Jazmine, Angie Currin, AJ Wright, Jeremy Wright, Stephanie Moody, Bryan Wright, Grant Wright, Derek Hoefl, Amy Osmin; and 16 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Wright; and a son, David Wright.

Memorial contributions may be made to Willow Creek Terrace, 400 Frank Gilliam Drive, Heppner, OR 97836 or to Pioneer Memorial Hospice, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836.

Arrangements are with Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner. You may sign the online condolence book at www.sweeneymortuary.com.



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