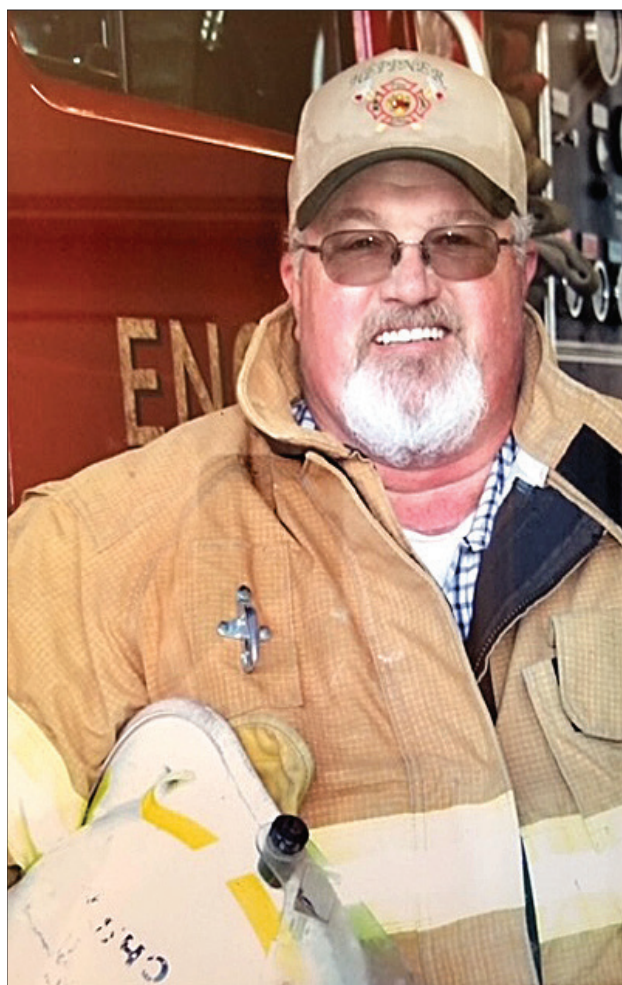


OBITUARIES



Estes

Russell J. 'Rusty' Estes

Aug. 12, 1958 — Dec. 9, 2021

Heppner

Russell J. "Rusty" Estes died at the age of 63 at his home in Heppner, Oregon, on Dec. 9, 2021. He was born to Sarah Jane Sannar and James Franklin Estes on Aug. 12, 1958, in Enterprise, Oregon. He was the first born of five children, "the big brother." Raised in Heppner attending elementary school and graduating from Heppner High School.

He became a junior fireman as a freshman in high school, which began his lifelong service to the Heppner Volunteer Fire Service of which he retired as chief in 2019.

Rusty studied mechanics at Mt. Hood Community College. Upon returning home, he went to work for Hutches' Printing and learned to be a master printer. He subsequently worked for Heppner Gazette Times and American Printing before being hired by Morrow County Health District in maintenance and as an ambulance driver. He worked in maintenance for several years before taking his dream job of emergency services coordinator for the health district.

Rusty received his First Responders Certification and Ambulance Driving Trainer Certificate in 1987, volunteering for the South Morrow County EMT Association. He continued on to receive his Emergency Medical Technician 1 license in 1989.

With permission from Cyde's two sons, Chad and Eric, Rusty married Cyde Allstott Skroch on Nov. 19, 1988, in Heppner, Oregon, and they became a family. Rusty was a 40-year member of Heppner Lions Club, receiving the District Governor's Award in 2006. He was also a member of

Heppner Elks Lodge No. 358, I.O.O.F. Lodge No. 66 in Heppner, Willow Creek Country Club, and District 9 Fire Chiefs Association, serving his community through these organizations.

In the early 1980s, Rusty was in a four-wheel Jeep club and participated in competitions, adding to his love of speed. Lights and sirens were his passion, with safety first. Rusty loved his occasional trips to the casino for a night of gambling and was well known for bantering while playing cards with friends and family.

Rusty is survived by his wife, Cyde; stepson, Chad Skroch, wife Sarah Lynn, and their sons Cooper and Devin; stepson, Eric Skroch, wife Sarah Lee, and their sons EJ, Skye and daughter Elli; siblings; Rita Bergstrom and her husband Hal; Buck Estes; Ginny (George) Nairns and her husband Bob; Robin Traeger and her husband Rick; father, James F. Estes; nieces and nephews; Amy, Jeremy, Adam, Kiel, Blake, Emily, Krystal, Aaron, Chelsey, Russell and many great nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life for Rusty will be held on Jan. 15 at 11 a.m. at the Heppner Fire Hall with a dinner to follow at the Heppner Elks Lodge. Rusty believed in the safety of mask wearing to protect those we love.

Memorial contributions can be made to Heppner Fire Department, P.O. Box 743, Heppner, OR 97836, or South Morrow County EMT Association, P.O. Box 9, Heppner, OR 97836.

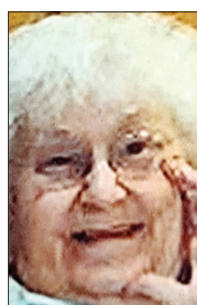
Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements. You may sign the online condolence book at www.sweeney-mortuary.com.

Olive Elizabeth Clark

Nov. 23, 1923 — Oct. 23, 2021

Hermiston

Olive Elizabeth Clark, 97, of Hermiston, died Saturday, Oct. 23, 2021, at Legacy Meridian Park Medical Center in Tualatin, Oregon. At her request no funeral service will be held. Disposition was by cremation. A memorial service will be held later at Ninilchik, Alaska.



Clark

Mrs. Clark was born on Nov. 23, 1923, at Bradleyville, Missouri, to Benjamin Franklin James and Etta Selvidge. She came to Hermiston in 1965. She was the owner of Suburban Carpet before she retired.

After retirement she

made several fishing trips to Alaska with her husband, George Clark. She was an avid Seahawks fan. She

made the best lemon meringue and rhubarb pies.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Geroge Ransom Clark; and a son, Larry.

Survivors include her daughter, Adele Phillips of Silverton; her sons, David of Pilot Rock; Jon of Anchorage, Alaska; and Kevin of Bellingham, Washington; and 11 grandchildren.

Wherity Family Funerals & Cremations of Beaverton is in charge of arrangements.

Francis M. 'Frank' Rossi

Dec. 5, 1940 — Dec. 10, 2021

Hermiston

Francis M. "Frank" Rossi of Hermiston was born Dec. 5, 1940, in Sacramento, California, the son of Melvin and Helene (Morin) Rossi. He passed away in Hermiston on Friday, Dec. 10, 2021, at the age of 81.



Rossi

Frank grew up, attended schools and graduated from high school in Sacramento, California. After high school, he attended college for a time in Sacramento. He then moved to Eastern Oregon in the early 1960s and lived in Pilot Rock for a short time before settling in La Grande. He has lived in the Hermiston area since the early 1990s.

Frank began working for the Union Pacific Railroad in October of 1973. He worked in many different jobs with the railroad in a career that spanned more than 30 years. He retired from the railroad as a conductor in 2004. After retiring from the railroad, his love of Christmas brought him to volunteer for the Hermiston Festival of Lights. He worked for the Umatilla County Fairgrounds as a maintenance person from 2009 until 2012 and volunteered at the

rodeo grounds for several years. Frank enjoyed bowling, camping, fishing, cooking (was an excellent cook), woodworking and construction projects.

Frank married Gloria Vaughan at Wallowa Lake, Oregon, on Sept. 1, 2001.

He is survived by his wife of 20 years, Gloria; children, Tamie and husband, Kirk Heaton; Thomas and wife, Hollie Vaughan; and Jerry and wife, Stephanie Vaughan; grandchildren, Kevin, Colton, Catie, Emma and Alek; and two great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents.

A memorial service will be held at 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 18, 2021, at the Westside Church of Christ, 2185 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston, Oregon. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements.

Family suggest memorial contributions in Frank's name to the Friends of the Fair and Rodeo, 495 E. Main St., Hermiston, OR 97838.

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

DEATH NOTICES

Alan G. Carr

Nov. 11, 1934 — Dec. 12, 2021

Pendleton

Alan G. Carr, 87, of Pendleton, died Dec. 12, 2021, at his home. He was born Nov. 11, 1934, in Oregon City. No service is planned at this time. Arrangements are with Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner.

Maurice 'Varda' Conger

May 22, 1943 — Dec. 8, 2021

Hermiston

Maurice "Varda" Conger, 78, of Hermiston, Dec. 8, 2021, in Richland, Washington. He was born May 22, 1943, in Hood River, the son of Maurice and Arleatha (Houston) Conger. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Leave an online condolence at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Judy J. Gornick-Stewart

Jan. 29, 1943 — Dec. 7, 2021

Pendleton

Judy J. Gornick-Stewart, 78, of Pendleton, died Dec. 7, 2021, at her home. She was born Jan. 29, 1943, in Klamath Falls. Viewing will be Friday, Dec. 17, 3-8 p.m. at Burns Mortuary of Pendleton. A private family burial will be at a later date. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Pendleton. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com.

Kenneth Van Harrell

April 23, 1977 — Nov. 13, 2021

Hermiston

Kenneth Van Harrell (also known as Kenny or Junior), 44, died Nov. 13, 2021, at Kadlec Regional Medical Center in Richland, Washington. He was born April 23, 1977, in Pendleton. A celebration of life service following state guidelines will be Jan. 15, 1 p.m. at the Hermiston Community Center. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Veona E. Livesay

Aug. 27, 1921 — Dec. 10, 2021

Hermiston

Veona E. Livesay, 100, of Hermiston, died Dec. 10, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born Aug. 27, 1921, in Hubbard, the daughter of Adam and Mattie (Johnson) Troutd. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. To view the obituary or leave an online condolence, go to www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Sgt. Ethan David Reardon

June 27, 1998 — Nov. 21, 2021

Hermiston

Sgt. Ethan David Reardon, 23, of Hermiston, died Nov. 21, 2021, in Oceanside, California. He was born June 27, 1998, in Niskayuna, New York. A funeral service will be Sunday, Dec. 19, noon at the Oregon National Guard Armory, 900 S.E. Columbia Drive, Hermiston. Burial with military honors will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

UPCOMING SERVICES

Dec. 14-16

No services

Friday, Dec. 17

Gornick-Stewart, Judy — Viewing, 3-8 p.m. at Burns Mortuary of Pendleton, 336 S.W. Dorion Ave.

Saturday, Dec. 18

Blackburn, Joe — Celebration of life, 2 p.m. in the Roy Raley Room at the Pendleton Round-Up Grounds, 1205 S.W. Court Ave.

Burk, Karen — Celebration of life, 11 a.m. at Milwaukie Elks Lodge No. 142, 13121 S.E. McLoughlin Blvd., Oak Grove.

Rossi, Frank — Memorial service, 1 p.m. at the Westside Church of Christ, 2185 W. Orchard Ave., Hermiston.

Sunday, Dec. 19

Reardon, Ethan — Funeral service, noon at the Oregon National Guard Armory, 900 S.E. Columbia Drive, Hermiston. Burial with military honors will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

LOTTERY

Friday, Dec. 10, 2021

Megamillions

23-25-40-42-60

Megaball: 8

Megaplier: 2

Jackpot: \$148 million

Lucky Lines

1-8-12-14-18-22-26-30

Jackpot: \$42,000

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 7-9-6-7

4 p.m.: 4-5-5-2

7 p.m.: 5-0-1-3

10 p.m.: 8-2-8-6

Saturday, Dec. 11, 2021

Powerball

3-25-44-53-64

Powerball: 10

Power Play: 2

Jackpot: \$320 million

Megabucks

9-12-14-18-20-34

Jackpot: \$6.9 million

Lucky Lines

3-6-12-14-20-24-25-29

Jackpot: \$43,000

Pick 4

1 p.m.: 6-3-0-3

4 p.m.: 1-4-7-9

7 p.m.: 2-8-3-3

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