

DEATH NOTICES

Thomas E. Dickson

Milton-Freewater
March 25, 1936 — Feb. 12, 2022

Thomas Eugene Dickson, 85, of Milton-Freewater, died Feb. 12, 2022, at his home. He was born March 25, 1936. Arrangements are with Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, Milton-Freewater.

Raymond Wilson Grace

Heppner
Sept. 17, 1937 — Dec. 18, 2021

Raymond Wilson Grace, 84, of Heppner, died Dec. 18, 2021, in Heppner. He was born Sept. 17, 1937, in Methow, Washington, the son of Homer and Vivian Grace. Visitation will be Feb. 19, 10 a.m. to noon at Sweeney Mortuary, Heppner. Graveside services will follow at 1 p.m. at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Rodney D. ‘Rod’ Linnell

Hermiston
March 26, 1948 — Feb. 8, 2022

Rodney D. “Rod” Linnell, 73, of Hermiston, died on Feb. 8, 2022, at home. He was born March 26, 1948, in The Dalles. A service will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Janet M. ‘Jan’ Severson

Hermiston
March 17, 1935 — Feb. 8, 2022

Janet M. “Jan” Severson, 86, of Hermiston, died Feb. 8, 2022, at her home. She was born March 17, 1935, in Yakima. At her request, no service will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Elva ‘Peggy’ Parker Terry

Pendleton
Feb. 17, 1938 — Feb. 12, 2022

Elva “Peggy” Parker Terry, 83, of Pendleton, died Feb. 12, 2022, at St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton. She was born Feb. 17, 1938, in California. Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.

Edward S. ‘Ed’ Waits

Hermiston
July 28, 1934 — Feb. 13, 2022

Edward S. “Ed” Waits, 87, of Hermiston, died Feb. 13, 2022, at his home. He was born July 28, 1934, in Panama, Oklahoma. A graveside funeral service with military honors will be Thursday, Feb. 17, 11 a.m. at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Jackie L. ‘Jack’ Wilson Jr.

Stanfield
Nov. 20, 1959 — Feb. 7, 2022

Jackie L. “Jack” Wilson Jr., 62, of Stanfield, died Feb. 7, 2022, in Hermiston. He was born Nov. 20, 1959, in Vale. A family gathering will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

UPCOMING SERVICES

TUESDAY, FEB. 15

Thompson, Pat — Celebration of life, 2 p.m. at Bethel Church Assembly God, 1109 Airport Road, Pendleton. A graveside service follows at Skyview Memorial Park, Pendleton.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16

Flores, Irene — Celebration of life gathering, 1 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary Chapel, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.

THURSDAY, FEB. 17

Bahr, Ethan — Celebration of life, 1:30 p.m. at Pendleton First Assembly of God Church, 1911 S.E. Court Ave.
Jackson, Donald — Recitation of the holy rosary, 7 p.m. at Burns Mortuary of Pendleton, 336 S.W. Dorion Ave.
Waits, Ed — Graveside funeral service with military

honors, 11 a.m. at the Hermiston Cemetery.

FRIDAY, FEB. 18

Jackson, Donald — Memorial Mass, 11 a.m. at St. Mary’s Catholic Church, 800 S.E. Court Ave., Pendleton. Burial follows at Olney Cemetery, Pendleton.

SATURDAY, FEB. 19

Grace, Ray — Visitation, 10 a.m. to noon at Sweeney Mortuary, 320 E. Matlock St., Heppner. Graveside services will follow at 1 p.m. at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

Pace, Linda — Celebration of life, 2-4 p.m. at the Weston Memorial Hall, 206 E. Main St.

Sander, Ed — Celebration of life potluck gathering, 1 p.m. at Smiley’s Happy Place, 102 Boardman Ave., Boardman.

Gary Lynn Hildebrand
July 11, 1942 - February 8, 2022

Gary Lynn Hildebrand, 79, of Pendleton died Tuesday, Feb. 8, 2022, at his home. Gary was born on July 11, 1942, in Hill City, Kansas, to Charles and V. Verlyn (Dodd) Hildebrand.



In the final 40 years of his life, Gary moved to Pendleton upon meeting his wife, Cynthia Protheroe, after answering a dating advertisement. He became deeply committed to local programs from substance abuse to public speaking. A close friend said, “He will always be remembered for his style of leadership and his deep belief that everyone had something positive to contribute to the world.”

Gary’s greatest pride was in the men of his Prison Toastmasters clubs around the region. Gary was an electrical inspector and continued working for the city of Pendleton and the CTUIR until his health forced him to retire at age 78.

Gary is survived by his wife, Cynthia Protheroe, sister, Cheryl Evans, and daughters, Trina Tobey and Tabbi Will. He was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Lynnnda “Cindi” Kays. Gary will be buried at sea, an honor bestowed for his 20-year service in the US Navy. Plans for a memorial service will be announced later.

FRIDAY, FEB. 11

7:18 a.m. — A caller reported a woman was throwing rocks at a house on Northeast Main Avenue, Irrigon.

7:19 a.m. — A caller reported someone was taking items from her house on Northeast Main Avenue, Irrigon, and a male at the house had a gun. Local law enforcement responded and arrested a 54-year-old woman for second-degree disorderly conduct and a felony probation violation.

10:23 a.m. — A caller on Northeast Seventh Street at the Irrigon Marina Park, Irrigon, reported another male attacked him. Morrow County sheriff’s deputies responded and contacted both parties.

11:58 a.m. — A resident on West Jennie Avenue, Hermiston, wanted to speak to an officer about receiving mail that could be a scam.

12:12 p.m. — A resident on Cottonwood Loop, Boardman, reported her 18-year-old daughter hit her youngest brother and her grandmother. Police responded and arrested the teen for domestic violence harassment.

6:13 p.m. — A caller reported a vehicle hit a patio at C & D Drive-In and Bakery, 103 Main St. N., Boardman.

SATURDAY, FEB. 12

6:26 a.m. — A resident on Columbia Lane, Irrigon, reported her ex-boyfriend has been making threats toward her and her family and he does have a weapon. She also said he hit her on the head but declined medical treatment. The Morrow County Sheriff’s Office took a report.

2:03 p.m. — A vehicle caught fire on Interstate 84 near Echo. Agencies responded.

2:49 p.m. — A resident on East Third Street, Lone, reported a male was yelling and throwing furniture in front of her and

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her children. The Morrow County Sheriff’s Office made contact.

6:17 p.m. — A resident on Southeast Riverview Avenue, Irrigon, reported two dogs attacked his cat on his property. The man said he chased off the dogs. A Morrow County sheriff’s deputy found the dogs and returned them to their owner.

SUNDAY, FEB. 13

1:52 a.m. — Law enforcement respond to a report of a fight on Southwest 11th Street, Hermiston.

6:40 a.m. — A hit and run accident occurred at Seventh Street and Yerxa Avenue in Umatilla, police responded.

8:57 a.m. — A car crash occurred at Coombs Canyon Road and George Canyon Road in Pendleton; there were four victims.

1:08 p.m. — Hermiston police received a complaint about child abuse.

1:28 p.m. — Local law enforcement and other emergency services responded to Wagon Wheel Loop, Irrigon, after a caller reported watching people set a vehicle on fire.

1:22 p.m. — A caller on Olson Road, Boardman, reported finding a golden eagle with a broken wing.

5:05 p.m. — Police responded to a call reporting a drunk driver at the Crossroads Truck Stop, 2020 Highway 730, Umatilla.

6:07 p.m. — Police responded to a call reporting a domestic disturbance on South Bonanza Street, Echo.

7:36 p.m. — A caller next door to the Seventh Day Adventist Church, 205 Tumbleweed Blvd., Irrigon, reported a relative destroyed her belongings and uses the drug fentanyl. The Morrow County Sheriff’s Office responded and began an investigation.

8:16 p.m. — Umatilla police responded to a 911 call reporting a domestic distur-

bance on Bridgeport Avenue.

11:42 p.m. Law enforcement responded to a 911 call reporting a domestic disturbance on Highway 395 North in Hermiston.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

Feb. 11

• Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office arrested Michael Anthony Iles, 34, for two counts of first-degree forgery.

• Pendleton police arrested Natalie Kay Holton, 19, for first-degree burglary and theft.

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• Umatilla County Sheriff’s Office arrested Cesar Macias Delatorre, 25, for fourth-degree assault, strangulation, vehicle theft and on two warrants for failure to appear.

• Umatilla Tribal Police arrested James Hector Freeman Estrada, 31, for domestic abuse and on a restraining order violation.

• Pendleton police arrested Marcus Coby Ryder, 39, for first-degree burglary, first-degree criminal trespass and third-degree theft.

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• Milton-Freewater police arrested Jason Oliver Nunn, 27, for harassment, felony fourth-degree assault and on a warrant.

• Umatilla police arrested Damien Sky Figrurski, 20, for felony strangulation, felony fourth-degree assault, menacing, third-degree escape and on a felony probation violation.

• Umatilla police arrested Tyler Joseph Morris, 23, for two counts of third-degree criminal mischief and one count each of first-degree criminal trespass, resist arrest and second-degree escape.

• Umatilla Tribal Police arrested Idaann Bessie George, 21, for driving under the influence of intoxicants and reckless driving.

MEETINGS

Pilot Rock Fire District, 7 p.m., Pilot Rock Fire Department, 415 N.E. Elm St. (541-443-4522)

Umatilla Hospital District, 6 p.m., Umatilla Medical Clinic, 1890 Seventh St. (541-922-3104)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 16

Port of Morrow Commission, 1:30 p.m., Port of Morrow, 2 Marine Drive, Boardman. (Brandy Warburton 541-481-7678)

Intermountain Education Service District, 4 p.m., district office, 2001 S.W. Nye Ave., Pendleton. Also, an executive session will convene to discuss real property transactions. (Danielle Sackett 541-966-3102)

THURSDAY, FEB. 17

West Extension Irrigation District, 9 a.m., Columbia Improvement District, 501 E. Columbia Ave., Boardman. Call in advance to arrange attendance. An executive session may be called to discuss legal issues. (Lisa Baum 541-922-3814)

East Umatilla County Ambulance Area Health District, 7 p.m., district office, 431 E. Main St., Athena. (541-566-3813)

TUESDAY, FEB. 15
Pendleton Development Commission, 6 p.m., council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave., or via Zoom. Call for login information. (Charles Denight 541-966-0233)

Pendleton City Council, 7 p.m., council chambers, 501 S.W. Emigrant Ave. (541-966-0201)

Umatilla City Council, 7 p.m., city hall, 700 Sixth St. (Nancy Sandoval 541-922-3226)

Pilot Rock City Council, 7 p.m., city hall, 143 W. Main St. (541-443-2811)

Walla Walla VA celebrates Black History Month

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WALLA WALLA — The Walla Walla VA Medical Center is holding a Black History Month celebration Thursday, Feb. 17, from 8 a.m. to noon.

To connect to the event, go to www.bit.ly/BHM-Feb17.

According to the press release from the medical center, special guests will

share information in support of this year’s theme of “Black Health and Wellness.” Walla Walla VA’s acting director will provide opening remarks, and the event will close with a short musical presentation.

This year’s theme acknowledges the legacy of Black scholars and medical practitioners in Western medicine and more, accord-

ing to the press release.

Veterans Affairs leads the U.S. in providing health care services to veterans. The press release stated the department “celebrates the momentous achievements of Black Americans to the field of health care” throughout U.S. history. And today, the agency is committed to helping train future generations of doctors.

Many African-Americans also served in the military, enduring past struggles to gain the equality, according to the press release. There has been no war fought by or within the United States in which African-Americans did not participate.

Additional details at Walla Walla VA’s Facebook page at www.facebook.com/VAWallaWalla.

LOTTERY

Friday, Feb. 11, 2022

Megamillions
 11-16-23-24-30
 Megaball: 24
 Megaplier: 3
 Jackpot: \$53 million

Lucky Lines
 3-7-12-14-18-21-25-29
 Jackpot: \$23,000

Pick 4
 1 p.m.: 0-8-8-7

4 p.m.: 4-0-8-6
 7 p.m.: 7-9-2-1
 10 p.m.: 7-3-9-3

Saturday, Feb. 12, 2022

Powerball
 8-10-21-41-62
 Powerball: 7
 Power Play: 3
 Jackpot: \$183 million

Megabucks
 9-14-25-32-37-41

Jackpot: \$1.6 million

Lucky Lines

3-6-11-16-17-23-28-30
 Jackpot: \$24,000

Pick 4
 1 p.m.: 3-7-3-5
 4 p.m.: 1-8-5-8
 7 p.m.: 7-9-5-2
 10 p.m.: 5-5-8-1

Win for Life
 4-17-23-59

Sunday, Feb. 13, 2022

Lucky Lines
 2-8-11-14-20-24-27-32

Estimated jackpot: \$25,000

Pick 4
 1 p.m.: 9-3-4-6
 4 p.m.: 6-0-7-9
 7 p.m.: 6-0-2-6
 10 p.m.: 2-4-4-3

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The first 40 years of his life, my dad spent building a military career in the Navy and raising his family. He grew up in The Dalles, Oregon, where he met my mother, Gwenda Charlene White. Right after high school, they married and he joined the Navy. They had three children together; Lynnnda Charlene, affectionately known as Cindi, Trina Lee (myself) and Tabbi Sue Ann.

Dad was a family man and very involved with us kids. He took us camping, deep sea fishing (on a boat he built himself) and took us for dune buggy rides on the beach. He even became the first male leader of the Girl Scouts in San Diego, County.

Dad retired from the Navy in 1980 with the rank of lieutenant junior grade, which was no small feat starting out from boot camp rather than officer school. He spent nearly his entire career in San Diego. After his retirement, he moved back to The Dalles, Oregon, and later relocated to Pendleton, Oregon, where spent the remainder of his life. Gary is survived by his wife, Cynthia Protheroe, sister, Cheryl Evans, and daughters, Trina Tobey and Tabbi Will. He was preceded in death by his parents and his daughter, Lynnnda “Cindi” Kays. Gary will be buried at sea, an honor bestowed for his 20-year service in the U.S. Navy. Plans for a memorial service will be announced later.

Robert Eugene Conklin
January 16, 1950 - February 5, 2022

Robert Eugene Conklin, of Stanfield, was born Jan. 16, 1950, in La Grande, Oregon, the son of Robert and Elaine (Martindale) Conklin. He passed away in Hermiston on Saturday Feb. 5, 2022, at the age of 72 years.



Robert lived in Pendleton during his childhood where he attended school. He graduated from Pendleton High School in the class of 1968. After high school, he served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. He served as a boatsman’s mate aboard the USS Ajax. He served in the Navy for a total of four years and received the Purple Heart.

After his honorable discharge, Robert returned to Oregon and began his career with the U.S. Postal Service. He worked as a mail carrier and a clerk at the La Grande Post Office until retiring. He moved from La Grande to the Hermiston area in 2005 where he has lived until his death.

Robert enjoyed many activities such as; fishing, gold mining, hunting, golfing and woodworking.

He is survived by his two sons, Nate Conklin and Nick Conklin; two granddaughters, Addison and Alivia Conklin; and his two dogs, Jack and Jill.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his beloved dog, Keno.

A private family service will be held. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements.

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