

DEATH NOTICES

Ronald Atkins

Hermiston
Dec. 23, 1938 — March 4, 2022

Ronald Atkins, 83, of Hermiston, died March 4, 2022, at his home. He was born Dec. 23, 1938, in Roanoke, Virginia, the son of Wilson and Virginia Atkins. A funeral service will be Thursday, March 10, 2:30 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston. Burial follows at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Ronald W. Booth

Pendleton
Dec. 11, 1942 — March 5, 2022

Ronald W. Booth, 79, of Pendleton, died March 5, 2022, at a local care facility. He was born Dec. 11, 1942. Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.

Jose Guadalupe Mendoza Deniz

Hermiston
Dec. 12, 1974 — March 3, 2022

Jose Guadalupe Mendoza Deniz, 47, of Hermiston, died March 3, 2022, in Hermiston. He was born Dec. 12, 1974, in Colima, Mexico. Recitation of the holy rosary will be Thursday, March 10, 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, Hermiston, followed by Mass of Christian burial

at 10:30 a.m. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Janet Loraine Hatten

Pendleton
May 6, 1942 — Feb. 26, 2022

Janet Loraine Hatten, 79, of Pendleton, died Feb. 26, 2022. She was born May 6, 1942, in Yakima. Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.

Oval D. McBride

Irrigon
Sept. 3, 1960 — March 2, 2022

Oval D. McBride, 61, of Irrigon, died March 2, 2022, at his home. He was born Sept. 3, 1960, in La Grande. A celebration gathering will be held at a later date. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Roger W. Shipley Sr.

Pendleton
Oct. 12, 1939 — Feb. 27, 2022

Former longtime Umatilla resident Roger W. Shipley Sr., 82, of Pendleton, died Feb. 27, 2022, in Pendleton. He was born Oct. 12, 1939, in Hillsboro. Services are pending. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Daniel W. Snyder

Pendleton
Feb. 9, 1952 — March 7, 2022

Daniel W. Snyder, 70, of Pendleton, died March 7, 2022, at his home. He was born Feb. 9, 1952, in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Pendleton. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com.

Pamala Eileen Tucker

Pendleton
Oct. 23, 1962 — March 3, 2022

Pamala Eileen Tucker, 59, of Pendleton, died March 3, 2022, at her home. She was born Oct. 23, 1962, in La Grande. Arrangements are with Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.

Geri Marlene (Ulmer) Weigum

Hermiston
Nov. 25, 1951 — March 5, 2022

Geri Marlene (Ulmer) Weigum, 70, of Hermiston, died March 5, 2022, at home. She was born Nov. 25, 1951, in Pendleton, the daughter of Marion and Gladys (Elwood) Ulmer. A funeral service will be Saturday, March 12, 2 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston. Burial will follow in the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.



Russel L. ("Russ") Krumbah

February 12, 1950 - February 25, 2022

Russel L. Krumbah ("Russ") passed away unexpectedly on Feb. 25, 2022, from a heart attack.

Russ was born on February 12, 1950, to William J. and Gertrude (Sams) Krumbah. in Walla Walla, Washington. He grew up on the family's farm in Umapine, Oregon, and attended school there. Russ graduated from Umapine High School in 1968. In his youth, he was active in baseball, basketball, football and once reaching high school — FFA. Growing up he worked on area farms and ranches and helped raised pigs, cattle and wheat on the family's farm.

Russ married the love of his life, Charlene (Buckley), on May 23, 1970, in Milton-Freewater, Oregon. They bought their first home and shortly thereafter were blessed with their only daughter, Sherri, on Dec. 27, 1973. As a family they had many wonderful adventures. They worked on cars, went water skiing, went fresh and salt water fishing, snowmobiling, riding motorcycles, hunting and up into the mountains to get wood to heat the family home.

Russ worked as a bakery manager for Safeway for 30-plus years and won numerous awards for his exemplary produced baked goods. He also had "after hour" jobs helping his brother farm, working at Marlin's Saw Shop and then at Sallee Chevrolet. He was a member of the Elks Lodge. Russ and Charlene were also a part of a corporation that operated and raced at Bonanza Raceway in Walla Walla, Washington.

Once Russ retired from Safeway, he was able to fully immerse himself in being the "cool" grandpa and spending time with his granddaughters. He regularly helped them work on their vehicles and counseled them on their 4-H and FFA swine projects. When Charlene retired the two of them became THE best Faircourt grandparents the Umatilla County Faircourt had ever seen! Russ didn't hesitate to brag or boast about his granddaughters to anyone that would listen.

Russ is survived by his wife at home; his daughter, Sherri; his granddaughters, Catherine Krumbah Kuhar and Kira Krumbah Kuhar; brother, Daniel Krumbah; brother, Edward (Virginia) Krumbah; numerous aunts, uncles, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, William J. and Gertrude (Sams) Krumbah; brother, Harlind Krumbah; sister, Loy Hahn; grandparents, William J. & Mary Krumbah Sr. and Frederick and Grace Sams.

Memorial services will be held on Friday, March 11, 2022, at 1 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 518 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater, Oregon 97862. Inurnment will follow at the Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

To leave an online condolence visit www.munsellerhodes.com.

UPCOMING SERVICES

TUESDAY, MARCH 8

Woodroffe, Michael — Graveside service, 11 a.m. at the Athena Cemetery.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9

No services

THURSDAY, MARCH 10

Atkins, Ronald — Funeral service, 2:30 p.m. at the Burns Mortuary Chapel, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston. Burial follows at the Hermiston Cemetery.

Deniz, Jose — Recitation of the holy rosary, 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston, followed by Mass of Christian burial at 10:30 a.m. Burial follows at the Hermiston Cemetery.

FRIDAY, MARCH 11

Arkell, Nina — Funeral service, 1 p.m. at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Folsom-Bishop, 131 S.E. Byers Ave.

Gilbert, Mary — Memorial service, 3 p.m. at Burns Mortuary of Pendleton, 336 S.W. Dorion Ave.

Krumbah, Russ — Memorial service, 1 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 518 S. Main St., Milton-Freewater. Inurnment follows at the Milton-Freewater Cemetery.

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Ronald Atkins

December 23, 1938 - March 4, 2022

Ronald Atkins of Hermiston was born December 23, 1938, in Roanoke, Virginia, to Wilson and Virginia Atkins. He passed away at his home surrounded by his family on Friday, March 4, 2022, at the age of 83 years.

Ron grew up in Roanoke where he attended Clearbrook School with his five brothers and two sisters. He moved to Southern California in the late 1950s where he resided until moving to Hermiston, Oregon, in 1980. He was a resident of Hermiston for over 40 years. He drove truck for several different companies throughout his career and even had his own truck and was self-employed for a time.

Ron enjoyed playing pool and poker, tinkering with mechanic projects, watching boxing, UFC fights and Nascar racing, fishing, camping and traveling.

Ron married Ella Mae Holland on April 26, 1969, in Las Vegas, Nevada.

He is survived by his loving wife of 52 years, Ella; son, Ronald Gene Atkins; two daughters, Natalie Trotter and Rhonda Halladay; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren; brother, Tony Atkins; two sisters, Peggy Noland and Susie Smith; and several nieces and nephews and extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his son, Ricky; his parents; and brothers, Howard, Fred, Jakey and Jerry.

A funeral service will be held at 2:30 p.m. on Thursday, March 10, 2022, at the Burns Mortuary Chapel (685 W. Hermiston Ave. Hermiston, Oregon.) Burial will follow in the Hermiston Cemetery.

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



Jackie Lee Kelley

January 28, 1927 - 2022

Born on January 28th, 1927, in Rockford IL. He was preceded in death by his father Carl Kelley and mother Mina Kelley, Brothers Gene and Art Kelley, his Wife, Aleatha VickiAnn and Son, Kris Kelley.

Jack attended Pendleton Public Schools and graduated in 1945. He participated in all major sports. He served as class president in his sophomore, and junior years as well as student body president in his senior year. He played trumpet in the band and served as student director. He was the welter weight boxing champion of Eastern Oregon. Upon graduation he received the all-around athletic trophy as well as the citizenship cup for boys.

He joined the army and returned to Pendleton after World War II. He trained and broke horses and competed in riding events in the Northwest rodeos. Later, he went to work for Pendleton music house. He married Aleatha VickiAnn McMahon in 1954 and they celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary on Valentine's day 2020. He leaves two daughters, Karla and Karin, three grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Jack played trumpet in dance bands in the local area for over 60 years as well as the Happy Canyon Show Band for 50 years. Jack purchased the Pendleton Music House upon the previous owner's retirement and then later his Son, Kristopher Kelley purchased the store and continue to run it until his retirement. Jack and Vicki were known as the dancing Kelleys and were a joy to watch on the dance floor.

He served as chairman of all the class reunions and enjoyed all the monthly class luncheons. Jack was a life member of the Pendleton Country Club, The Elks and VFW. He was a member of the Eagles, the Jazz Club, Musicians Union, and the Pendleton Drum and Bugle Core. In 2010 Jack was inducted into the Pendleton high school football hall of fame.

There will be a private funeral for family at the Olney Cemetery. This obituary is his farewell to friends who he hopes to see in the hereafter.



Jack Daugherty

October 24, 1927 - February 13, 2022



Jack Daugherty, brother, husband, father, grandfather, great-grandfather and friend, passed away at age 94 on Feb. 13, 2022, in Murrieta, California. He is survived by his daughter, Sherri Elliott and her husband, David; his daughter, Karen Daugherty; his son, Michael Daugherty; his wife, Susan; and numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his wife, Virginia; his parents, Beatrice H. Daugherty-Crimmins and Jack A. Daugherty; stepfather, Delbert Crimmins; stepmother, Una Daugherty; and siblings, Darrell A. Dews and Patricia M. Rakestraw.

Family was everything to Jack and he cherished every moment he could spend with his extended family. He was engaged with his community and took leadership roles grounded in public service. He was a youth softball and basketball coach, Boy Scout troop leader and active member of his church, and he provided decades of dedicated service and leadership from Exalted Ruler to District Deputy for the Benevolent and Protective Order of the Elks throughout Northeast Oregon. He was a role model and father figure to scores of young men over the years, but above all else he loved his family. He was a hero to his children.

Jack had a long and productive career in the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers that spanned continents. He worked out of Pasco, Washington; Walla Walla, Washington; the Mediterranean Division in Italy; San Francisco, California; and Washington, D.C. Upon retirement he immediately relocated to Northeast Oregon to be closer to his family. In his later years he moved to Southern California to be closer to his daughters and many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Jack was proud of his service to his country in the U.S. Navy, which he joined immediately after graduating from high school. He was a submariner and patrolled the waters along the coast of Alaska in the waning days of World War II. He was a lifelong sports addict and was an athlete playing basketball in high school and baseball for the Army Corps of Engineers. He loved attending high school and college sports events and was notorious for his loud expressions of support for his teams.

Jack will long linger in the memory of those who knew and loved him. He will forever be missed.

A private family graveside service will be held at Mountain View Cemetery in Walla Walla, Washington, at a later date.

To leave an online condolence, visit www.munsellerhodes.com.



Nina "Marie" Arkell

August 27, 1927 - February 24, 2022

ARKELL, Nina "Marie", age 94, passed away Thursday, Feb. 24, 2022, at Parkview Memory Care in Walla Walla, Washington. Marie was born on a cotton farm in Canton, Mississippi (pronounced Mississippi), on Aug. 7, 1927. She reveled in telling stories of how, as the baby of the family, her older sisters, Ruth and Opal, allowed her to play with the animals and run in the fields while they did her share of the crop work. She was a graduate of Canton High School.

Marie met and married James Courtright, an enlisted Navy man, and after World War II moved with him to Pendleton where they ran a family auto repair business with Marie as a self-taught bookkeeper. Together, they raised two sons, Emmett and Leroy, until her husband's death in 1977. She attended BMCC to further her bookkeeping skills and made a career working at various local businesses, eventually retiring from the housing office of the Umatilla Indian Reservation where she took great joy in providing the Elders with special care and attention.

Marie led an active social life that included bunko, pinochle, fundraisers, socials and square dancing to name a few. She was reintroduced to her son's elementary school teacher, Bill Arkell, at square dancing lessons. A friendship developed into a romance and they were married on May 6, 1985. They enjoyed 37 years of marriage filled with numerous trips (Reno was a favorite) and events. Active memberships with the VFW and Ladies' Auxilliary took them all over the United States and Marie's love of meeting people provided her with many long-lasting friendships in all walks of life.

She had a huge loving heart for all of God's creatures. She took in numerous strays and refused to allow even spiders to be killed in her house ("You'd better take that outside — don't you dare step on it"). At one time, her love of animals had her sharing their home with five cats and three dogs, along with anything else that found refuge in their yard. Friends often commented that, if there were such a thing as reincarnation, they would want to come back as one of Marie's cats.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents, Emmett and Lucy Reese; her sisters, Opal Reese Greuter and Ruth Reese Hughes; and her former husband, James Courtright. She is survived by her husband, William "Bill" Arkell; her two sons, Emmett Courtright and his wife, Linda, of North Bend, Oregon, and Leroy Courtright of Pendleton; her stepson, Garth Arkell and his wife, Dee, of Spokane, Washington; her stepdaughters, Kelli Hull and her husband, Dave, of Olympia, Washington, and Candi Smith and her husband, Dean, of Walla Walla, Washington; as well as 10 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces, nephews and friends.

Funeral services will be held at 1 p.m. Friday, March 11, 2022, at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel in Pendleton with a private family burial to follow at Olney Cemetery.

The family would like to express their heartfelt thanks for the wonderful care given by Wheatland Retirement Village and Parkview Memory Care in Walla Walla during her last stage of life. "Miss Nina Marie" was a favorite among staff members, and they took great care in keeping her blue eyes bright and twinkling and a smile on her face.

In lieu of flowers, friends may make memorial contributions to the Pendleton Animal Welfare Shelter Pioneer Humane Society Adoption-Spay/Neuter fund; 517 SE 3rd St., Pendleton OR 97801, 541-276-0181. Online condolences may be sent to www.pioneerchapel.com.

