

OBITUARIES

**Frank Harold Hamblet**  
Jan. 21, 1926 – May 27, 2015

Frank Harold Hamblet, a resident of Pendleton died Wednesday, May 27, 2015, at Walla Walla General Hospital in Walla Walla, Wash. He was 89 years old.



A Celebration of Life and Luncheon will be held Saturday, June 27, 2015, at 1 p.m. at the Wheeler County Fairgrounds in Fossil, Ore., in the Isobel Edwards Hall. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements.

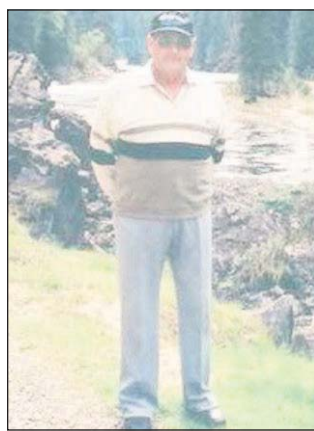
Harold was born Jan. 21, 1926, in Blackwell, Okla., to Frank and Ruby (Mahoney) Hamblet. He was an enrolled member of the Creek Nation Indian Tribe, like his mother and grandmother before him. He came to Oregon with his folks when he was 14 years old. Harold thought a lot of his father. He worked in his younger years in the Starkey area, catching and breaking wild horses. He always had horses. Harold served in the United States Navy at the end of WWII as a Fireman First Class. After eleven months overseas duty he returned to Oregon in March of 1946 with an Honorable Discharge. Harold graduated from Reisch Auctioneering School in Mason City, Iowa, in 1959, a very intensive study course that has graduated over 30,000 men and women. He has sold just about everything — so now it's time to auction off your kids. He worked as a Ranch Hand & Buckaroo at many ranches in the Alvord Desert, and Nevada, Oregon and Idaho. He had also worked as a Cat Skinner in the logging industry, and drove log truck. He liked music and had a good voice. He enjoyed doing karaoke and insisted on enjoying chocolate daily.

Harold is survived by his lady friend Koni Schnetzky of Pendleton, his children Judy Volquardsen and husband Jim of Metaline Falls, Wash., Linda Bristow and husband John of Ione, and Dwight Ambrose and wife Kathy of Island City, his brother Harvey Barber and wife Jane of Tillamook, as well as many grandchildren and numerous great-grandchildren.

Harold was preceded in death by his first wife Eleanor, his son Wayne, grandson Quinn, and wife June.

**Arthur George Keener**  
Jan. 13, 1936 – May 27, 2015

Arthur passed away May 27, 2015, in Clarkston, Wash., at the age of 79. Arthur was born Jan. 13, 1936, in Joseph, to George Washington Keener and Mabel Isley. He lived most of his life in Joseph. He attended Joseph High School until the 10th grade. He had a career working for the U.S. Forest Service. He retired in 1986 after 35 years.



In 1954, he married Dorothy (Boyce). They had two boys, Jeffrey Ned, born in 1955, and Philip George, born in 1958. Dorothy passed away Dec. 7, 2013.

He moved to Clarkston in 1996 to be near his youngest son and family.

He enjoyed hunting and fishing or anything doing with the outdoors.

He is survived by sons Jeffrey (Betty) Ned Keener, White City; Philip George Keener, with fiancée Bonnie Engle, of Lewiston, Idaho; grandchildren Paula (Jeremy) Jorgensen and children Emily and Noah of Canby; John (Leanna) Keener and children Madisyn and Kai of Central Point; and Eric (Kristina) Keener of Lewiston.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Keener; father George Keener; mother Mabel Keener; daughter-in-law Josie Keener; and several aunts and uncles.

According to his wishes, he is to be cremated and buried in Joseph. Services are planned at a later date.

**William Eugene "Bill" Reese**  
Nov. 11, 1931 – May 3, 2015

William Eugene "Bill" Reese passed away Sunday, May 3, 2015, at Kindred Care Center in Lewiston, Idaho. Bill was born Nov. 11, 1931, in Enterprise. He was the youngest of four children and only son of Robert William Reese Jr. and Edith Fern Varner.

Bill grew up and attended school in Enterprise. After graduating high school in 1951, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served as a Seabee in several locations throughout the South Pacific. After an honorable discharge from the Navy, he married his high school sweetheart, Patty L. Grant, on Feb. 25, 1956, in Portland. They began their new life together in San Francisco. They were later sealed in the Oakland, Calif., Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints temple. The couple were blessed with four children.

While in California, Bill began his lifelong dream of a career in law enforcement and worked in San Francisco, Livermore and Union City, Calif. In 1971, he joined the Clarkston (Wash.) Police Department, retiring with the rank of lieutenant in 1984. He then went to work for the Arizona Department of Corrections. After a few years, he and family returned to the Lewiston-Clarkston Valley to live. Bill then worked as a corrections deputy for the Asotin and Latah county sheriff's offices until 1998. He had a hard time taking off the badge and worked as a security officer for Bitterroot Security. Many have known Bill as the friendly security officer at Costco in Clarkston, where he continued to work until his health made it impossible to do so.

Bill is survived by his wife of 59 years, Patty Reese; children Randy Reese (Melinda) of Rexburg, Idaho, Lisa Kirk (Chuck) of Spokane Valley, Wash., Eric Reese (Deana) and Chris Reese (Aubrey) of Lewiston; sister Faye Hubbard (Art) of La Grande; 16 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his parents; sisters Fern and Viola; and by a granddaughter, Lillian.

Services were held May 8 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Lewiston.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the St. Jude Research Hospital to end childhood cancer.

DEATH NOTICE

William Ferguson

William Clayton Ferguson, 87, of Joseph, died Sunday, May 31, 2015, at a Boise, Idaho, area facility. Arrangements are pending with Bollman Funeral Home.

SERVICE NOTICE

Helen Stonebrink

A memorial service for Helen May Stonebrink will be held Saturday, June 13, at 11 a.m. at the Lostine Presbyterian Church in Lostine. Helen passed away Nov. 20, 2014.

Bank leads way with cemetery donation

By Stephen Tool  
Wallowa County Chieftain

Plans to restore the Enterprise Cemetery received a nice bump when Bank of Eastern Oregon donated a \$1,000 check to the Friends of the Enterprise Cemetery. John Bailey, vice-president of the bank, presented the check to Pat Willis, newly elected Position 1 director for the Enterprise Cemetery District.

"These ladies and other people are doing a tremendous job on getting the cemetery back in shape, and the Bank of Eastern Oregon feels it's a very important project, and it's something the community needs to get behind and be proud of," Bailey said.

An enthusiastic Willis thanked Bailey for the check and said, "We've made tremendous strides over the last two weeks, but we've got a lot of work coming up ahead. To me, the cemetery is very personal. I buried my husband up there in 2009 and I want it to be a beautiful place for everyone. So many people are up there who have been a part of my life: business leaders, educators, log truck drivers, farmers and ranchers. They formed this community



Steve Tool/Chieftain

A \$1,000 check from the Bank of Eastern Oregon is a good start to restoring the Enterprise Cemetery. From left: Jolene Cox, BEO branch manager; Pat Willis, newly elected Position 1 director of the Enterprise Cemetery District; fundraiser Judy Wortman; John Bailey, BOE vice president; and Sondra Lozier, founding member of Friends of the Enterprise cemetery. Lozier and her husband, Kent, also contributed \$1,000 for the cemetery's restoration.

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Sondra Lozier, also a member of the Friends, mentioned the City of Enterprise donated to the project as well, including the installation of the new water lines to the cemetery. She also said it's possible some area teachers may pick out a grave

site and assign students to uncover the history of the person buried there.

In meantime, Willis has one other thing she'd like to accomplish for the cemetery's future: "I do want to reach out to the younger generation. See my white hair? We need some young blood to help us out," Willis said with a laugh.

13 from WC on EOU, BMCC deans' lists

Twelve students from Wallowa County were named to the winter term dean's list at Eastern Oregon University (EOU), and one local was listed at Blue Mountain Community College (BMCC).

Among 528 full-time EOU students qualifying with a GPA of 3.5 or higher were Enterprise residents Jennifer Jones,

Margaret Hull, Dakota Hull, Ashtin Olsen, JoAnna Patton, Kristen Ruckdashel, Cody Schwendiman, Stephanie Simpson and Marta Stangel; Martin Doud and Emily Ketscher, both of Joseph; and Wallowa resident Megan Goller.

At BMCC, Wallowa County's Emily Spang was listed within the 3.40 to 3.84 range.

High and Low Temperatures

According to data sent to MesoWest: www.mesowest.utah.edu

Enterprise			Lostine		
Date	Low	High	Date	Low	High
May 27	n/a	n/a	May 27	42	65
May 28	n/a	n/a	May 28	39	77
May 29	n/a	n/a	May 29	44	79
May 30	n/a	n/a	May 30	53	74
May 31	n/a	n/a	May 31	51	82
June 1	n/a	n/a	June 1	53	72
June 2	n/a	n/a	June 2	50	n/a

Joseph			Wallowa		
Date	Low	High	Date	Low	High
May 27	43	61	May 27	45	66
May 28	43	72	May 28	40	78
May 29	46	75	May 29	44	82
May 30	55	73	May 30	54	80
May 31	52	82	May 31	52	83
June 1	50	73	June 1	50	75
June 2	50	n/a	June 2	51	n/a

Imnaha			Troy		
Date	Low	High	Date	Low	High
May 27	50	69	May 27	47	76
May 28	48	82	May 28	47	85
May 29	52	85	May 29	51	91
May 30	61	82	May 30	58	88
May 31	58	90	May 31	58	93
June 1	60	85	June 1	57	85
June 2	57	n/a	June 2	55	n/a

Six-day forecast

June 3 – June 8

Source: National Weather Service

June 3		H: 62 L: 42	Chance of showers
June 4		H: 67 L: 45	Chance of showers
June 5		H: 74 L: 46	Slight chance T-storms
June 6		H: 78 L: 47	Sunny
June 7		H: 81 L: 48	Mostly sunny
June 8		H: 80 L: n/a	Partly sunny

Phases of the moon

June 9	June 16	June 24	July 2
Last Quarter	New Moon	1st Quarter	Full Moon

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