

OBITUARIES

Dennis Tyler
Aug. 10, 1942 — June 4, 2018

Dennis Lowell Tyler, 75, of Enterprise was born to Grant Lowell and Eva Louise (Larson) Tyler, he joined brother Jim. The family moved to Buhl, Idaho, shortly after, then to Pendleton where Dennis graduated from Pendleton High School in 1960.

An outstanding athlete, Dennis was a repeat letterman in football, track, and basketball. After graduation, Dennis attended his freshman year at the University of Washington and played quarterback for the Huskies. He then transferred to Boise State, continuing his football career and graduating with a degree in education.

He accepted his first teaching position at Joseph High School retiring in 2000.

Dennis married Sharon Cone in 1964 and had two sons, Eric and Kirk. In 1995, Dennis married Kathleen (“Kit”) Chase, adding Kit’s daughter Andrea to the family. Dennis enjoyed fishing, biking, and in his 50s took up golf, which he pursued with zeal.

Dennis is especially known as Joseph High’s wrestling coach, a role he served with distinction 1968-1989 and returned to in 1991 for a few more years. Under his tenure, the Eagles were District Champions several times and turned out numerous State Champion wrestlers, including both sons, Eric and Kirk.

Dennis also served as head football coach and athletic director during his career at JHS. As passionate as he was about sports, Dennis desired his athletes and students to achieve their best in the classroom.

An active member of Enterprise Christian Church, he served as deacon, Sunday School teacher and Bible study leader. Dennis was dedicated to his family and especially to his Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

A devoted husband, father, and grandfather, Dennis is survived by his wife Kit, of Enterprise; son Eric and JoAnn Tyler of Little Elm, Texas and grandchildren Sydney, Jake and Peyton; son Kirk and Kimberly Tyler, grandson Kashton of Denton, Texas, and granddaughter Kylee of Great Falls, Mont.; daughter Andrea Tyler and grandson Alex of Newberg, Ore.; and a brother, Jim Tyler of Seattle.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Lowell and Eva. A celebration of life will be 11 a.m. Saturday, June 30, at the Enterprise Christian Church. The family requests no flowers; charitable donations may be made to the Dennis Tyler Memorial Scholarship Fund at any Umpqua Bank branch.

David Parks
Sept. 12, 1944 — April 10, 2018

David H. Parks was born to William M. and Maxine S. (Thornburg) Parks in Enterprise. He attended school in Joseph and graduated in 1963.

David joined the U.S. Army after graduating and was proud to serve his country 1965-67. Upon David’s return, he continued his education at Eastern Oregon State College in La Grande and obtained a bachelor’s degree in business.

In 1968 he married and had three daughters: Tawnia, Tara and Jennifer. Years later he divorced.

David worked in farm appraisals for a period of time but later found his career as a right-of-way agent for the Oregon Department of Transportation traveling throughout Oregon until his retirement.

David met the love of his life in 1995 with Roswitha Gilman whom he married after a whirlwind engagement. David spent his retirement camping, boating, hunting and loved dancing with Roswitha when his PTSD did not interfere with his living. He fought a long battle with cancer and died at the VA Hospice Center in Vancouver, Wash.

David was preceded in death by his father William “Bill” Parks and brother William “Denny” Parks of Joseph. David is survived by his wife of 23 years Roswitha, his mother Maxine S. Parks Thiessen of Nampa, Idaho, daughters Tawnia Murphy, Tara (Fred) Bell and Jennifer (Shawn) Walker, a brother Donald and many grandchildren.

Roswitha would like to thank the VA Hospital and Hospice Unit for their wonderful care of David for these many years along with the Wallowa Memorial Hospital in Enterprise.

Memorial donations can be made in David’s name to the Wallowa County Humane Society.

A memorial gathering will be held 1 p.m. at the VFW hall in Enterprise Saturday, June 30. Please come and share your memories with family and friends.



Parks

James Kellermann
Sept. 14, 1946 — June 12, 2018

James Ray Kellermann lost his courageous battle with cancer at the Veterans Medical Center in Boise, Idaho, with his son Heath at his side.

Jim was born in Enterprise, the third of six children of William R. “Bill” and Louise Vigne Kellermann.

He spent his childhood on the family farm on Prairie Creek east of Joseph. He attended school in Joseph, graduating in 1964.

He was drafted into the U.S.

Army in 1965 and honorably discharged in 1967. He was a Vietnam War Veteran and was awarded a Letter of Commendation while serving with the Army Strategic Communications Facility in Vietnam.

Jim spent his life working on ranches in Wallowa County and Mountain Home, Idaho, as well as years working in the timber industry as a heavy equipment operator.

He resided in Mountain Home at the time of his death where he worked for the late Rich Cornell of the Camas Cattle Co.

Jim is survived by his son, Heath Kellermann and his three grandchildren; Aspen Elizabeth, Elia Charlotte and James Robert Kellermann, of Sandy, Ore.; his brother Ron (Debbie) of Joseph; sisters Marie Wearin, Sharon (Paul) Castilleja and Margaret (Dave) Kassahn, all of Joseph; many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends.

He was preceded in death by his parents Bill and Louise Kellermann, and his brother William A. Kellermann.

Funeral services to be held in Enterprise are pending.

Memorial contributions may be made to VA Medical, Volunteer Service, 500 W. Fort, Boise, ID 83702. Marked for Hospice Program – In Memory of James Kellermann.



Kellermann

Lewis Britton
March 29, 1952 — June 2, 2018

Lewis “Logger” Britton, 66, died at the Wallowa Memorial Hospital in Enterprise Saturday, June 2. Born in Enterprise, he lived his whole life in the Wallowa Mountains. Although he maintained a house in Lostine, his real home was in Promise at the family homestead.

His career in logging took him to some of the most beautiful areas in the Pacific Northwest, and his love for hunting and fishing took him far beyond, but he always came back home.

His survivors include his daughter Tiffany Britton of West Richland, Wash.; his son Dustyn Britton, granddaughter Caitlyn Britton and grandson Andrew Britton of La Grande, as well as his brothers, Paul (Sharon) Britton, Perry Britton and several cousins. He was preceded in death by his father Dewitt Britton and mother Marcella Lewis Britton.

A memorial will be held 11a.m. Saturday, July 7, at the Promise Cemetery. There will be a potluck luncheon to follow at the Promise Grange Hall. Please bring your favorite potluck dish, your stories, photos and a Hamms or two.



Lewis

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Thank You

A big thank you to all our kids and everyone who helped put on Wayne and Jean’s birthday party. We appreciated all who attended, sent cards, called and stopped in to visit. It was truly an old fashioned Wallowa County get-together and we hope everyone enjoyed it as much as we did.

Thanks so much!
Wayne and Jean Cook

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DEATHS

Elf Bissinger

Elf Bissinger, 90, of Enterprise, died at a care facility in La Grande June 24. A memorial service is tentatively planned for Saturday, July 7, at the Community Church in Enterprise. Full obituary will be published next week. Bollman Funeral Home entrusted with arrangements.

CORRECTION

A story in last week’s edition incorrectly identified the name of the company that will perform the work on the Minam curve. The company is Tidewater Contractors of John Day.

ABOUT OBITUARIES

News obituaries are a free service of the Wallowa County Chieftain. For more information, or to inquire about a paid memorial, call 541-426-4567.

Nicole Winn Memorial Scholarship Fundraiser

THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone who helped and supported us with the fly-in fundraiser for the Nicole Winn aviation scholarship.

Bill & Dianna Duncan

Raffle will be held during Chief Joseph Days rodeo
July 28th 2018

Great things are happening!

► Congratulations to all 755 graduates in EOU’s class of 2018!

► Student government president Daysi Bedolla named among top 5 contenders for the National Campus Leadership Council’s Student Body President of the Year

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	High	Low	Conditions
June 28	68	48	Partly Cloudy
June 29	65	48	Partly Cloudy
June 30	71	47	Partly Cloudy
July 01	76	51	Sunny
July 02	76	46	Sunny
July 03	71	46	Sunny
July 04	80	48	Sunny

Phases of the moon

June 27	July 6	July 12	July 19
Full Moon	Last Quarter	New Moon	1st Quarter

WALLOWA COUNTY SUNRISE & SUNSET JUNE 28-JULY 4
(from the U.S. Naval Observatory)

THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN	MON	TUES	WED
5:03	5:04	5:04	5:05	5:06	5:07	5:07
8:42	8:41	8:41	8:41	8:41	8:41	8:40