

Howlak Tichum

Mikki Higgins, 1964-2007

Mikki Higgins of Las Vegas, Nevada made her final passing from life's journey in this world to God's other realm that is thought to be a better place where there is no hardship. This happened at the University Medical Center at Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 4, 2007 due to complications from head injuries when she fell down and from an aneurysm.

Mikki was born Mikki G. Schuster to Cleda Danzuka Schuster and Elmer Schuster on November 19, 1964 at Toppenish, Wash., as the third child of four children. During her early years, Mikki lived in Seattle, her school years began at Glenwood, Wash. She then moved to Toppenish, where she graduated from high school in 1983.

Mikki continued her education at Portland State University for two years before finding employment at Hy-Pro Chemical Cleaning Company, as part of a sales team that traveled the entire U.S. selling industrial cleaning chemicals to manufacturers, businesses, any place

with large communal activities.

It was during her employment with Hy-Pro that she met and worked with Michael Higgins. It was a fun-loving job they both loved until that part of life ended. When the work team disbanded, Mikki and Mike always liked Las Vegas and decided to make Las Vegas their home. They got married and Mikki became a cashier and Mike became a card dealer. Their family was expanded by son Dillon on May 2, 1993.

Mikki formed a house cleaning company and cleaned prestigious homes in the surrounding area. They then operated a rug store for a while, sending two rugs to their mother. Mikki's life centered around Dillon and she stayed home most of the time. Mikki and Mike divorced recently and shared their time with Dillon, whom they both loved very much. She leaves behind a long lasting memory of herself for all those she came in contact with.

Mikki is survived by her son Dillon Higgins; brothers Elmer "Scooter" Schuster of Toppenish, and William "Willy" Schuster of Glenwood; sisters

Lynn Schuster of Dillingham, Alaska and adopted sister Angen Ketchen of Wapato; aunts Ruthie Smith and family, Marie Tom and family, Lucille Schuster and family, Theda Walawitsa and family, Mary Danzuka and family, Mary Anne Meanus and family, all of Warm Springs; Evelyn Umtuch of McKinley, Eleanor Seymour of Toppenish; uncles Russell Smith, Tommy Smith, George Danzuka, Mickey and Ted Brunoe and all the Brunoe families, all of Warm Springs; Alvin Schuster of Wapato, Dixon Schuster of Toppenish; cousins Gerald, Doreen, Kathy, Becky, Orville, Crystal, Owen, Kimiko, Masami Danzuka, Alison, Abe, Harriet, Ben Schuster, Karen, Rebecca, Joshway, Theodore Umtuch, Lisa, Julius Shippentower, Michael, Mary, Cleda Seymour, Lizzie Ann, Corbett, Merlin Tom, Annette, Morris, Carol, Wayne Miller and the members of the Satus Longhouse who she loved very much.

Births

Jackalynn Leslie Poitra
Woodrow Les Poitra and Vera Rose Smith of Warm Springs are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter Jackalynn Leslie Poitra, born on October 12, 2007.

Grandparents on the father's side are Peggy Williams and Les Poitra, of Warm Springs.

Grandparents on the mother's side are Luciall Aguilar and Kevin Smith Sr., of Warm Springs.

Azsure Joy Hoptowit
Shirley J. Hoptowit of Warm Springs is pleased to announce the birth of her daughter Azsure Joy Hoptowit, born on October 19, 2007.

Azsure joins brother Quinten and sister Eleana. Grandparents are Tamara J. Kalama and Donald J. Hoptowit.

Kadyn Martin Feigner
Alexander Feigner and Christina Brinkley are pleased to announce the birth of their son Kadyn Martin Feigner, born on October 9, 2007.

Program on living well with chronic conditions

Indian Health Services is sponsoring the program, Living Well with Chronic Conditions, starting Nov. 6. Classes continue through Dec. 11.

Time: 4-6:30 p.m.
Where: Warm Springs Clinic atrium. Light refreshments will be served.
Living Well with Chronic Conditions is a six-week work-

shop. It teaches practical skills for having a good life while living with an on-going health problem.
Call 553-1196, ext. 4141 for more information.

New agent at W.S. OSU Extension office

Shawn Morford has joined the team at the OSU Extension office as staff chair and 4-H agent.

Morford is an extension educator specializing in forestry and natural resources education and educational program evaluation.

She succeeds Teresa Hogue, who retired recently after a long career with the OSU Extension Service working in administration as well as youth, family and community development programs.

Originally from Michigan, Morford moved to Oregon after studying natural resources.

Morford has extensive experience developing and delivering natural resources Extension educational programs and in working with tribes in Canada



Shawn Morford

on community development issues.

She spent several years with the Forest Research Extension Partnership (an Extension organization) in British Columbia and earlier in her career worked for the OSU Extension Service on 4-H youth development pro-

grams in Marion County.

She has experience working in a variety of community aspects, as well as working with youth.

"It's not just about the youth, it's about working with the community to support youth," Morford explained. "We'll be working with all the youth-serving organizations here."

OSU Extension staff in Warm Springs work closely with tribal members, providing educational information and programs in agriculture, livestock, 4-H youth development and family and community development.

For more information about OSU Extension at Warm Springs, contact Shawn Morford at 553-3238.

'Walk the Halls' exercise program at high school

The Mountain View Community Health Improvement Partnership (CHIP) is sponsoring "Walk the Halls" this winter, so folks will have a safe, dry,

warm, well-lit place to walk.

Beginning Nov. 5, Madras High School will be open Monday through Friday from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. each day that school

in session, except for holidays.

To sign up for this free opportunity, contact Beth Ann Beamer, CHIP director, at 475-3882, ext. 2436.

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