

Walking On...

William E. Durschmidt

Sept. 2, 1926 – April 15, 2013

A graveside memorial service to celebrate the life of Tribal Elder William E. Durschmidt, 86, of Coos Bay, Ore., was held Saturday, April 20, at Ocean View Memory Gardens Cemetery, 1525 Ocean Blvd., in Coos Bay, with pastor Ron Karsen presiding.

Bill was born Sept. 2, 1926, in Portland, Ore., to William Durschmidt Sr. and Florence (Pichette) Durschmidt. He passed away peacefully on April 15, 2013, in Coos Bay.



Bill was raised in Grand Ronde, Ore. He served in the U.S. Army and was stationed in Germany during World War II. Following his honorable discharge from the Army, he moved to the Coos Bay area and worked for Georgia-Pacific for more than 20 years. He enjoyed his daily gardening, listening to music and was an avid reader.

For many years, Bill took loving care of his mother, Florence Frelove. They really enjoyed their traditional Sunday drives. One of Bill's other pleasures was family gatherings.

Bill was loved very much by his family and will be missed by all who knew him.

Bill is survived by his sister, Catherine Russell, and her husband, Curtis, of Coos Bay. He spent the last few years being cared for by his loving niece, Tricia Houck, and her husband, Pat, of Charleston. He also is survived by many nieces, nephews and cousins.

He was preceded in death by his parents, William and Florence Durschmidt, and a sister, Virginia.

Arrangements were handled by Coos Bay Chapel.

Friends and family are encouraged to sign the online guest book at www.coosbayfh.com.

Jay Lee Surber

Dec. 16, 1970 – April 11, 2013

Jay Lee Surber of Rose Lodge, Ore., died at his home on April 11, 2013, of natural causes. He was born in Newport, Ore., to Jerry and Nancy (Jenkins) Surber on Dec. 16, 1970.

Jay attended Rose Lodge, Oceanlake and Taft High School and lived his entire life on Bear Creek Road with his family.

The brightest star of Jay's life was his son, Jeremiah, who he cherished with all of his heart. He loved riding his four-wheeler and dirt bikes or just watching movies, video gaming or working on cars with him. He was a great backhoe operator and loved running it.

He is survived by his parents, Jerry and Nancy; son, Jeremiah Surber; aunts, Judi Berglin, Dorothy Short, Betty Surber, Nancy C. Surber and Patricia Weippert; uncles, Jack (Victoria) Norcross and Jim (Darlene) Norcross; and numerous cousins.

Jay will be missed by his many friends and family whom he loved so much. We will hold him dear in our hearts.

Jay will be buried on Spirit Mountain with a private interment. Pacific View Memorial Chapel handled the arrangements.

Classes set for May

In May, there will be fancy dance and jingle dress classes on Monday, May 20, and Sunday, May 26 (Monday, May 27, is Labor Day) in Room 126 of the Adult Education Building.

Classes are taught by Dara Dickinson.

For more information, contact Tribal Cultural Education Specialist Brian Krehbiel at 503-879-4639. ■

Educational visit



Photo by Michelle Alaimo

Tribal Council member Kathleen Tom, right, talks to some attendees of the Welcome and Visitor Center Training Conference during their visit to Tribal Council chambers on Wednesday, May 8. The conference was held at Spirit Mountain Casino and some of the group was interested in visiting the Tribal campus to learn more about the Grand Ronde Tribe, which Tom educated them on.

Invitation to Bid

General Contractor Services
The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde
Women's Transition House Renovation and Addition

The Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde hereby extends an Invitation to General Contractors to bid on the Grand Ronde Tribal Women's Transition House, Grand Ronde, Oregon.

The Grand Ronde Tribal Women's Transition House includes a full renovation of an existing house and a 2,135 sq. ft. one story addition which will blend in with the existing house in both materials and appearance. Site work will include creating a small paved parking area, off-street turnaround, perimeter fencing, ramp access to the main floor, garden space, a small storage shed and trash enclosure, play equipment and drought-resistant landscaping.

Sealed bids must be received by Jesse White, Project Engineer, Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR 97347, by or before 2 p.m. local time Monday, June 3, 2013. Phone: 503-879-2404

Bid documents, including contract terms, conditions and specifications will be available for review and purchase beginning May 13, 2013, at the following Plan Centers: Precision Images, 900 S.E. Sandy Blvd., Portland, Oregon; Ph: (503) 274-2030, Fax: (503) 222-1879, www.precisionimages.com. All bidders wishing to be notified of addenda shall register their name, mailing address and fax number with one of the Plan Centers.

Questions or requests for clarification shall be directed in writing to the Project Architect, Sarah Cantine, via e-mail at: sarah@seallp.com, or by regular mail at: Scott Edwards Architecture, 2525 E. Burnside St., Portland, OR 97214.

A mandatory pre-bid meeting will be held at the project site, 8995 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, Oregon, on **Wednesday, May 22, 2013, at 2 p.m.**, to view the existing building and construction area and to discuss the scope of work and funding agency requirements.



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