

Walking On...

Elsie Marie (Jeffers) Cummings

May 4, 1933 – Jan. 17, 2014

Tribal Elder Elsie Marie (Jeffers) Cummings, 80, of Lacombe, Ore., passed away Friday, Jan. 17, 2014, at her grandson's home in Lebanon.



She was born May 4, 1933, in Eugene to Melvin and Edna (Michaels) Jeffers.

Elsie grew up in the Wolf Creek area near Veneta. She later moved to Redmond where she graduated from high school. She worked as a nurse's assistant while attending college at the Oregon Technical Institute in Klamath Falls, which later became the Oregon Institute of Technology.

She lived in California and Arizona before moving to Lacombe in the late 1960s, where she had lived since.

Elsie worked as a bank teller, housewife and bookkeeper. She later owned and was the president of BGE Construction in Lebanon for many years. She was a member of the Lebanon Elkettes Lodge 1663, the Oregon Tops and the American Legion. She loved to play steel guitar.

She is survived by her sons, Barry Cummings of Lancaster, Calif., and Tony Cummings of Lacombe; daughters, Lori Humphreys and Pauline Porter of Stayton; brother, Ivan Jeffers of Eugene; grandchildren Korby, Larae, Stephanie, Christopher, J, Wade, Logan and Tabatha; and great-grandchildren Hunter, Kaedence, McKenzie, Chazlynn, Caeleb, Lucas and Connor.

Elsie was preceded in death by her father, Melvin Jeffers; mother, Edna Croocks; stepfather, Roly Croocks; brothers, Carl and Dale Jeffers; and sisters, Rose Lee, Hazel and Lucille.

A memorial service was held Saturday, Jan. 25, at Huston-Jost Funeral Home.

Contributions in her memory may be made to the SafeHaven Humane Society sent in care of Huston-Jost Funeral Home, 86 W. Grant St., Lebanon, OR 97355.

ther and also helped with her younger siblings. She also helped care for her mother, who suffered from diabetes up until she passed in 1966. She cared for her brothers Bill and Fred, who were all roommates up until the brothers' deaths.

She had her own home in north Portland in the 1960s and '70s where her son Tommy and many of her family members lived with her. This was a happy time for her as there was always someone in the house.

Family was No. 1 to Pearl. She had one child, Thomas Roy Beebe, who died of cancer at the age of 27. She was the oldest of four children and sibling to William Roy Tanner, Frederick Roy Tanner and Beatrice Tanner, who all preceded her in death.

Pearl was also auntie to many nieces and nephews who preceded her in death. She is survived by her nieces Pearl Boswell and Christina Morgan and nephews William Boyd and Billy Tanner.

Pearl worked throughout her life in many different jobs. Her last place of employment was at her own little shop called The Little Thrift Store on West Burnside at 19th Avenue, and she loved it. She had planned for many years to have her own little thrift store. It was a dream of hers. It gave her great joy as many of the residents of the area would stop in and chat. She also worked for the Perry Center Thrift Shop and for Naideen Leavens for many years as a seamstress and homemaker.

Pearl loved making Native beaded jewelry. She loved arts and crafts and made her own greeting cards, a favorite among those who received them.

Pearl was the holder of all the family lore and loved to share those stories with younger family members. She loved to reminisce of family and days gone by.

Pearl loved tending to the flowers outside her apartment and feeding the wild raccoons and cats of the neighborhood until she was no longer able to do so.

She was such a loving and caring woman who will be missed by all who knew her.



Pearl Marie Tanner

March 7, 1922 – Jan. 3, 2014

Tribal Elder Pearl Marie Tanner, known as Bibsey throughout her life, was born March 7, 1922, in a houseboat near Woodland, Wash. She walked on Jan. 3, 2014, at the age of 91.

She was the daughter of Mary Marie Knighton and Abraham Roy Tanner. Pearl and her siblings grew up on the Lewis River in Woodland, where they lived in a houseboat, and in St. Helens, Ore. She lived in Portland at the time of her death.

Pearl was a caretaker at a young age as she helped her blind grandfa-

Dean Martin Baker Jr.

Dec. 3, 2013 – Jan. 1, 2014

Sweet baby D.J. went to Heaven at only 28 days old. God always has a reason. We don't know why nor do we understand. He touched so many hearts in his short time. He will truly be missed.

He is survived by his parents, Dean and Tiffany Baker; sister, Bonnie Baker; grandparents, Tim and Carla Brown, Juanita and Gene Barack and Sam and Melissa Roberts; great-grandparents, Shelly and James Kent and Mary Cook; and many more family.

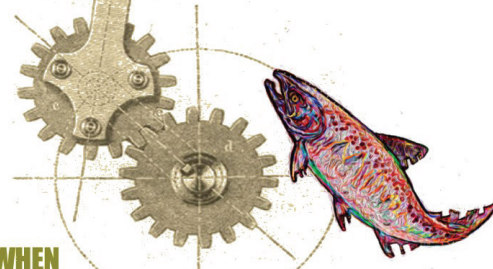
Fly with the angels, sweet baby boy.

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