

Walking On...

Sean Ray Freeman

Sept. 8, 1967 – Jan. 23, 2020

Sean Ray Freeman passed away on Jan. 23, 2020, at the age of 52. He was born on Sept. 8, 1967, in Gresham, Ore., to Thomas and Charlene Freeman.

Sean worked as a mason in construction. His passion was his hair and music, and his carefree smile was legendary. He had to always have a ton of mirrors to admire his hair and himself. He loved his children, grandchildren and whole family. He valued his Native culture and beliefs.

Sean is survived by his wife, Kathy; son, Royal Freeman of Falls City, Ore.; daughter, Shawna Freeman of Grand Ronde; siblings, Kristy, Tina, Susie, Brendan, Daniel and Bob; six grandchildren; many nieces and nephews; his ex-wife who kept him in check when needed; and lots of extended family. His daughter and son, along with his wife, helped care for him in his final months and days.

Sean was laid to rest at the Grand Ronde Cemetery on Tuesday, Jan. 28. Farnstrom Mortuary is caring for the family. Please share your memories and condolences at FarnstromMortuary.com.



Robert Joseph Beebe

Dec. 7, 1949 – Feb. 6, 2020

Tribal Elder Robert Joseph Beebe, 70, of Packwood, Wash., passed away on Feb. 6, 2020, at PeaceHealth Southwest Medical Center in Vancouver, Wash. He was born on Dec. 7, 1949, to Abraham J. Beebe and Margarie I. Letlow-Beebe in Yakima, Wash.

Robert graduated high school in Woodland, Calif., and attended Davis University for one year. He was a log truck driver for TEMA Logging. He enjoyed beadwork, fishing and watching football.

Robert was very proud of his Indian heritage even traveling to the Dakotas to do the Sun Dance. Distance was not a problem when going to visit family.

Robert is survived by his wife, Jacque; mother, Margarie Beebe; daughters, Heather, Layla and Meagan; sons, David and Chris; stepdaughter, Dallas Freer and children Levi and Eligia; nine grandchildren and nine great grandchildren; sister, Sharon Beebe; several nieces, nephews and cousins; and aunts Emma Dulik and Pat Nichols.

He was preceded in death by his father, Abraham Beebe; brother, Doug Beebe; and one granddaughter.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Monday, Feb. 17, at Valley Hills Funeral Home in Wapato, Wash.



Dorothy Lorraine Shortt

Sept. 26, 1947 – Feb. 3, 2020

Tribal Elder Dorothy Lorraine Shortt suddenly walked on from the flu on Feb. 3, 2020, at Willamette Valley Hospital in McMinnville. She was born in Dallas, Ore., on Sept. 26, 1947, to Arlene Mary Surber (Holmes), and George Willis Surber.

She was raised in Rose Lodge, Ore., and graduated from Taft High School in 1966. She worked as a housekeeper, fern picker and a care provider for most of her young adult years while caring for her family.

In 1981, she was blessed with her only daughter. She moved to the McMinnville area in 1994 and raised her daughter and met new friends. She enjoyed helping others with rides to the store and taking country drives just so they could get out and see the world during the day, and cooking and crocheting dollies by night.

In her Elder years, she enjoyed fishing, po-ke-no with her girlfriends and playing her favorite slot machine at the casino. She also was a member of the Red Hats Society. She was very proud of her heritage and was always introducing herself and her daughter to family members throughout the Tribe.

She is survived by her younger sister, Nancy Norton of Corvallis, Ore.; daughter, Maryann Bidwell of Willamina, Ore.; two grandchildren, Taleah and Jacob Bidwell; two step-grandchildren, Austin Bidwell of Willamina and Akita Gipe of Newberg, Ore.; along with three great-grandchildren, many nieces and nephews and many, many cousins.

She was preceded in death by her boyfriend of 20 years, David Lee McDougall; great-grandson, Anthony Lee Bidwell; and the rest of her siblings; Marie Hoffman, Jerry Surber and Betty Dick.

Services will be held at the Tribal gymnasium in Grand Ronde at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Feb. 18. To leave online condolences, visit www.macyandson.com



St. Michael's offers brunch

St. Michael's Catholic Church offers an open house brunch every Sunday following Mass. The brunch is free to the community. Brunch begins at about 11:30 a.m. following the 10:30 a.m. Mass. Mass attendance is not required for brunch attendance. For more information or for kitchen and hall rental, contact Janelle Justen at 503-550-0923. ■



**THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF GRAND RONDE
TRIBAL MEMBER REVIEW BOARD (TMRB)**

We are looking for volunteers!

As a Tribal Member Review Board member, you will review cases assigned by the Tribal Court involving children who are wards of the Tribal Court. You will review the case file; hear from all parties at the review including caseworkers, attorneys and children over 12 years of age, parents, foster parents and providers. The Board makes findings and recommendations to the Court regarding the case.

Qualifications:

- ✦ Tribal member
- ✦ At least 21 years of age
- ✦ Living in the six-county area of: Polk, Yamhill, Tillamook, Washington, Multnomah or Marion counties, and
- ✦ Have special knowledge, background and/or experience in one or more of the following:
 - Parenting or foster care taking; Tribal customs, traditions; Juvenile Law; Health Care; Mental Health Care; Social work; or Education.

For more information, contact Tribal Court Programs Coordinator Ramona Quenelle at CourtPrograms@grandronde.org or call 503-879-4623.



WEST VALLEY VETERANS MEMORIAL APPLICATION

DEADLINE IS MARCH 15, 2020

NAME: _____ DOB: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____ GENDER: MALE/FEMALE (CIRCLE) _____

RANK: _____ BRANCH: _____ HONORABLE: YES/NO (CIRCLE) _____

DOE: _____ PLACE OF ENTRY: _____

DOS: _____ PLACE OF SEPERATION: _____

DECEASED: YES/NO (CIRCLE) _____ PLACE OF BURIAL: _____

CTGR TRIBAL: YES/NO (CIRCLE) _____ IF TRIBAL, ROLL# _____

*All applicants must submit a copy of their DD214. If applicant is deceased, a family member or spouse can submit a copy of their DD214. If you are a CTGR Tribal member please attach a copy of your Tribal ID. If you are non-Tribal please attach a copy of a bill/record with your name and address showing you had lived or now reside in Grand Ronde, Willamina or Sheridan. Please send application and all documents to Grand Ronde Veterans SEB, 9615 Grand Ronde Road, Grand Ronde, OR, 97347. If you have any questions, please call Steve Bobb at 503-876-3118.

Any applications received after March 15, 2020, will be kept on file for inclusion to the Memorial in 2021.