

# Walking On...

## Janis Amy Duddles

May 25, 1951 – May 24, 2020

Tribal Elder Janis Amy Duddles left her earthly body to join the Ancestors on May 24, 2020. She was a Tribal member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

Janis was a longtime resident of Olympia, Wash., where she shared her life with her beloved husband, Jeffery Duddles. She is survived by her husband of 30 years; two children, Melissa Bynum-Pascal and Tony Bynum; two grandchildren, Avery and Jaida; sister, Tracie Meyer, and her children, Angie, Shayla and Jessica. Janis has many close aunts, cousins and beautiful friends that will miss her dearly.



Janis entered this world on May 25, 1951, at St. Mary's Hospital in Walla Walla, Wash., to Irvin and Sally Myrick. She was a 1969 graduate of Walla Walla High School and graduated from Evergreen State College with a bachelor's degree with an emphasis in early childhood development.

She married David Bynum in 1970 and had two children, Melissa and Tony. She was a lifelong advocate for the disenfranchised and an avid land defender. She often took her children to marches defending environmental and humanitarian issues in the Pacific Northwest. To maintain the family cool, she removed them from school for the day to join a rally to make "Louie, Louie" the Washington state song at the State Capitol. She also knew actor Adam West and famous grunge musician Kurt Cobain.

Her career in advocacy led her to stand with the forward political-minded thinkers in Olympia. She strongly supported the Equal Rights Amendment and attended the national convention of the National Organization for Women with her sister, Tracie.

Janis was a lobbyist for a consumer-oriented tax reform organization, People for Fair Taxes, with Gladys Burns and Joe Deer. She worked for U.S. Rep. Jolene Unsoeld for two terms, adding her voice on a national level.

She helped veterans and others bring their spouses and children from foreign countries to the United States. She made an impact that continues to last for many generations.

She continued her advocacy with e-mail campaigns, most recently pre-

venting coal trains from traveling through the Columbia River corridor.

Janis was an avid, devoted reader and learner. She studied political and religious philosophy, history and environmental justice. She read books beyond the average, but also loved Harry Potter and Dr. Seuss. Nothing was off limits for the incredible mind that Janis had. Janis tucked her grandson into "Dr. Doolittle" and shared books with all her family and friends knowing exactly what they would love.

Janis could debate any subject of substance, especially with her son and also share the latest fashion with her granddaughter. She loved art and architecture, and built the most outstanding Christmas village and traded ornaments with her daughter every year.

Janis, Jeff and their family always found themselves at the beach. The beach was her most favorite place to be. Like she said, "If you're at the beach, everything is OK."

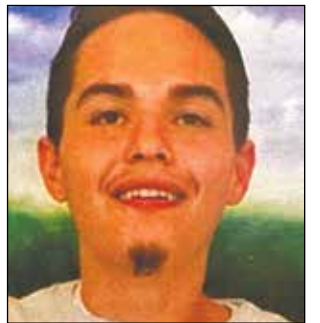
Tuell-McKee Funeral Home in Tacoma, Wash., is assisting the family. A celebration of life will be held at a later date when it is safe to congregate.

## Phoenix Roman Johnson

Sept. 27, 1998 – May 27, 2020

Phoenix Roman "Singing Wolf" Johnson passed away on May 27, 2020. He was a proud member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde.

He was born Sept. 27, 1998, in Moses Lake, Wash. He is survived by his mother, Rayona Torres; father, Raymond Ramirez; sister, Paris Thompson; brothers, Raymond Ramirez Jr. and Talon Ramirez; and girlfriend, Jessica Valentine. He was preceded in death by his brother, Falcon KaiKai Ramirez.



A memorial service was held Tuesday, June 2, at Sunset Memorial Garden in Warden, Wash.

## Other passings

### Candyce Alice Senner

Feb. 18, 1947 – May 22, 2020

Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home in Bend is assisting the family. At this time, there is no funeral service planned.

### Tina Marie Ream

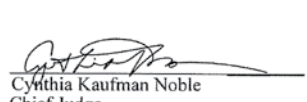
Jan. 21, 1966 – June 7, 2020

Hustad Funeral Home in Portland is assisting the family. At this time, there is no funeral service planned.

### David Lee Thompson Jr.

Jan. 14, 1965 – June 8, 2020

Sweet Home Funeral Chapel and Macy & Son Funeral Home in McMinnville are assisting the family. A viewing was held Saturday, June 13, at the Grand Ronde Lighthouse community building and a funeral service will be held from noon to 2:30 p.m. Saturday, June 20, in the same location.

1 IN THE TRIBAL COURT OF THE CONFEDERATED TRIBES OF THE  
 2 GRAND RONDE COMMUNITY OF OREGON ENTERED  
 3 JUN 08 2020  
 4 In the Matter of: Case No.: C-20-004 CTGR COURT  
 5 Katherine Warren-Steffensmier )  
 6 Petitioner. ) ORDER GRANTING REQUEST TO  
 7 ) CHANGE NAME  
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 9 Based on the allegations set forth in the Petition for Name Change filed by Petitioner on  
 10 March 2, 2020;  
 11 THE COURT FINDS AS FOLLOWS:  
 12 1. This Court has jurisdiction over the Petitioner and the subject matter of the Petition  
 13 herein;  
 14 2. The Petitioner is over 18 years of age;  
 15 3. The Petitioner is an enrolled member of the Confederated Tribes of Grand Ronde  
 16 Community of Oregon, roll number 2997;  
 17 4. The Petitioner has not petitioned and been granted a change of name by the Tribal  
 18 Court within the past twelve (12) months;  
 19 5. The Petitioner has published a Notice of Name Change in the Tribal newspaper,  
 20 Smoke Signals for one edition.  
 21 6. No hearing is required by Ordinance and no hearing occurred for this matter.  
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 1 NOW THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:  
 2 1. The name of the Petitioner is changed from Katherine Warren-Steffensmier to  
 3 Katherine Olivia Thornsberry;  
 4 2. The Clerk of the Tribal Court shall cause a copy of this Order to be published in the  
 5 Tribal Newsletter;  
 6 3. The Clerk of the Tribal Court shall submit a certified copy of this Order to the Grand  
 7 Ronde Tribal Enrollment office;  
 8 4. The Clerk of the Court shall provide a certified copy of the Order to the Oregon State  
 9 Department of Vital Statistics.  
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 11 DATED THIS 3<sup>rd</sup> DAY OF JUNE, 2020.  
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 Cynthia Kaufman Noble  
 Chief Judge

# Holmes Reunion

Saturday, July 11, 2020  
 22870 S.W. Grand Ronde Road  
 Noon to 6 p.m.  
 Bring your favorite salad or dessert  
 This reunion may be cancelled should a spike arise in  
 COVID-19 conditions  
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