

# THE RECORD

## OBITUARIES

**TEKANDER** — Qula Tekander, 92, formerly of Florence and Mapleton, died Oct. 10, 2016, in West Linn, Ore., just 11 days short of her 93rd birthday.



**Qula Tekander**

Qula was born in Salt Lake City, Utah, on Oct. 21, 1923, to Julia and Charles Roth.

Qula was raised in a large Mormon family of 10 children, her mother was a descendant of the original Utah settlers. Finding work in Salt Lake City was tough for her father during the depression and the family was forced to move several times in order to find work.

Those states included Arizona, Idaho and Utah before settling in the Roseburg, Ore., area. There, she attended Camas Valley High School and graduated in 1942.

After high school, the family moved to Florence to be closer to her father's ancestral home and to help her grandparents on their homestead/ranch. It was in Florence where she met her husband, Albert Tekander, and they were married June 5, 1957. After marriage, her and Albert moved to Mapleton, where Albert's family owned a cattle ranch. Qula loved ranch work and keeping the family well-fed during haying season, logging operations and many

family gatherings.

Later, they purchased a 10-acre parcel near the ranch, on the banks of the Siuslaw River, where they raised three children and lived for the next 37 years.

In 1997, Albert and Qula moved to West Linn to be closer to family due to Albert's declining health. Albert died Dec. 16, 2003, in West Linn.

In her final years, Qula enjoyed "day trips" in the car, watching Fox News and reading conservative books while flanked by her cat and dog. She was a "salt of the earth" woman who embodied the resilient pioneer spirit of her ancestors.

She died weeks before the presidential election but would have loved to see Donald Trump elected as president.

She is survived by her sister, Bonnie Neitzel of Springfield, Ore.; and brother Arden Roth of Golden Valley, Ariz.; three children: Benny Tekander of Eugene, Kathy Kaufman of Medford and Steve Tekander of West Linn; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

A private ceremony will be held in the spring of 2017 in the Florence area.

Qula is missed by her many family members and friends.

**CAMPIONE**—JoAnn Faye Schulz Campione, 77, of Florence, died Dec. 23, 2016, due to complications from heart disease.

JoAnn was born Oct. 22, 1939, in Richardton, N.D., to Joe and Eleanor Amann Schulz.

She was raised at Black Hills Ordinance Depot, S.D., where she acquired many lifelong friends. JoAnn married Charles S. Campione in 1963 and they were married for 53 years.

The Campiones traveled the world while he pursued his civil servant career. Upon retirement they moved to the beautiful coastline city of Florence, Oregon. From their home base, they took innumerable cruise ship trips around the world.

JoAnn was a devoted animal lover and always had at least one "mutt" by her side. In Oregon, she created a feeding station outside her kitchen window. Charlie regularly reminded her that they "live in 'bear country' so let's not encourage them."

She had a passion for gardening especially her violets. She was also an avid reader and loved to take long walks along the ocean shoreline.

She is survived by her husband, Charlie; her daughter and son-in law, Tracy and Gary Mock of Minneapolis, Minn.; her son and daughter-in law, Scott and Candice Campione of Yelm, Wash.; her brother Bigsby Schulz; a grandson Troy Mock; and a niece, Lisa Schulz.

Funeral services will be private. In lieu of flowers, donate to the American Heart Association.

**ATKIN**—Christopher G. Atkin, of Bend, Ore., formerly of Florence, died peacefully Tuesday morning, Dec. 20, surrounded by his wife and family members.

Chris was born June 19, 1943, in Lakewood, Ohio, to Jean and George Atkin.

He is a graduate of Northern Illinois University and a retired VP from the Williams Companies in information technology. Retired Lt. Colonel, USAF, he served in Thailand during the Vietnam War and as Base Commander in the Utah National Guard.

He married his high school sweetheart, Ellen, and they had two daughters: Carrie and J. Chloa, raised in Wheaton, Ill., and later in Salt Lake City, Utah.

Chris was a loving brother, husband, father and hands-on grandfather. He was devoted to the nurture and support of his family and to principals he held dear. One guiding principal was to care for our beautiful planet.

It was out in nature that he found joy and renewal. His pursuit of nature took him down many paths, skiing, trekking

and mountain climbing in Utah. Here in Oregon, he pursued sailing and kayaking. Biking and tennis rounded out his favorite pastimes.

He enjoyed participating in "Pole, Pedal, Paddle" with his daughter, son-in-law and grandsons.

He was blessed with a ready sense of humor, a cherished family trait. He possessed an endless curiosity and love of learning. A man of integrity, he was admired by many, as he also took a keen interest in the support of others.

In retirement, he was a member of the Florence Planning Commission and was active in the Florence Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. In Bend, he was on the board of the Bend Community Center.

Immediate survivors include: Ellen Atkin, his wife of 50 years; daughters Carrie Atkin of Vancouver Wash., and J. Chloa and husband Malcolm Ulrich of Bend; his brother Randy Atkin, and wife Elizabeth, of Boston, Mass.; his sisters Bonnie Faulkner of Ohio

and Debbie Atkin of Illinois; and grandsons Devin Atkin, Heath Ulrich and Karl Ulrich.

We are indebted to Dr. William Schmidt and the Oncology team at BMC and Partners in Care Hospice. Chris fought a two-year terminal cancer battle with courage and grace. He was positive throughout, affirming that his had been a rich and full life.

His legacy will burn bright in those who were most fortunate to know and love him.

A celebration of his life service is planned for Saturday, Jan. 7, at 4 p.m., at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 61980 Skyline Ranch Road in Bend.

A reception will follow at 5 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Partners in Care Hospice at [www.partnersbend.org](http://www.partnersbend.org).

**INGRAM**—Ralph Ingram, 87, of Florence, passed away Dec. 20, 2016.

A funeral service was held Tuesday, Dec. 27, at 1 p.m. at Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home.

## FSA county election results released

**EUGENE** — Results of the December 2016 election of Lane County Farm Service Agency (FSA) committee persons for 2017 were announced Thursday by Jean A. Larkin, County Executive Director.

Lane County is divided into three communities for election purposes. This year's election included the Coburg, Creswell, Springfield, Hwy 58 and Hwy 126 areas of Lane County.

Elected to a three-year term was Andy Petersen, a cattle rancher and timber owner located in Springfield. Elected as first alternate was Gary Smith, a Springfield cattle rancher.

Andy Petersen will serve with Harry McIntire of Cottage Grove and Bart Edwards and Maryrae Thomson, both of Junction City, on the FSA County Committee.

The farmer-elected committee is in charge of the local administration of national farm programs under the guidance of the Oregon State FSA Committee and applicable federal laws and regulations.

Information about the FSA office and Committee can be obtained at 780 Bailey Hill Road Suite 5, in Eugene, by calling 541-465-6443 Ext 2, or email [jean.larkin@or.usda.gov](mailto:jean.larkin@or.usda.gov).

For other information, visit the Oregon FSA website at [www.fsa.usda.gov/or](http://www.fsa.usda.gov/or).

## Sky Lanterns to be illegal after Jan. 1

As of Jan. 1, Sky Lanterns (also known as aerial luminaries, Chinese lanterns, mini hot air balloons, UFO balloons, wish lanterns,) are illegal to release into Oregon airspace.

A sky lantern is a paper sack suspended over a flame, usually from a small candle or other lit device. The hot air from the flame causes the balloon to rise into the air and be carried off by the wind.

"Although they are pretty, sky lanterns are uncontrolled, open-flamed devices that pose an extreme fire hazard to people, property, and the environ-

ment," said Oregon Chief Deputy State Fire Marshal Mariana Ruiz-Temple.

"Once released you have no control over where they may land. They could end up on someone's rooftop, in a tree, or a pile of debris and cause an unwanted fire," he said.

A number of states, as well as countries such as Germany, Australia and Brazil have outlawed sky lanterns.

As of Jan. 1, releasing a sky lantern into Oregon airspace will be a Class A violation subject to a maximum penalty of \$2,000.

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DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Dec. 20	50	36	0.84
Dec. 21	46	34	0.00
Dec. 22	50	33	0.24
Dec. 23	45	34	0.58
Dec. 24	43	32	0.31
Dec. 25	41	31	0.00
Dec. 26	44	31	0.34

**Rainfall** Week: 2.31"  
Month: 9.09" Year: 85.84"

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