

On The Record

OBITUARIES

PACKEBUSH—Gloria (Simington) Packebush, 69, of Florence, passed away Feb. 24, 2019, surrounded by family.

Gloria was born Aug. 22, 1949, in Cable, Wisc., to the late Beverly and Lewis Simington.

Gloria was married to Duane and they just celebrated their 53rd wedding anniversary.

Gloria was a homemaker busy raising four kids. She was involved in Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Mothers Club and was involved in all the kids' and grandkids' sporting events.

After the kids all graduated, she went to work as a CNA in the care facility until she retired to spend time with the grandkids.

She is survived by her husband of 53 years, Duane; their sons: Duane Jr. and Rodney; daughters: Laurie Rogers and Carmen Libby. She was a grandmother to nine grandkids and five great-grandkids.

The service will be held Saturday, March 9, at 2 p.m. at the Swisshome Church.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to the Swisshome Church.

WESTPHAL—Richard "Wes" Westphal, 78, passed away Feb. 25, 2019 in Oroville, Wash.

Wes was a long-time Florence resident and past co-owner of World-Action Realty with his ex-wife, Linda.

He and Linda moved to Florence from Eugene in 1986. While in Florence, he received the Realtor of The Year award twice. He was active in the local Kiwanis and chairman of the first



Richard Westphal

Fall Festival. He and Linda helped start the Florence Unity Church.

Wes moved to Washington in 2000.

While in Eugene, Wes worked as a loan officer for U.S. Bank. He helped organize and headed the Eugene Bicycle Committee for several years before turning it over to Ruth Bascom in the mid-1970s, riding his bike back and forth from home to the bank everyday.

He and Linda owned and operated The Market Place Antiques for many years.

Wes was born to Leon and Lucille Westphal in Cherokee, IA, June 29, 1940. He was the eldest of three boys.

His youngest brother, Marlin Westphal, lives in Rapid City, S.D.

Wes enlisted in the U.S. Navy in 1957 and served four years. He always joked about being in the U.S. Navy and never having been on board a ship.

He leaves behind his ex-wife, Linda Westphal of Florence; their two children: Julie Westphal of Canby, and John Westphal of Eugene; two grandchildren: Jason of Nampa, Idaho and Jacob of Boise Idaho and

two great-grandchildren of Nampa, Idaho.

Wes loved to interact with people. He was outgoing and generous with his time; a talented woodworker, handyman, artist and great pool player.

He was always friendly and willing to help anyone.

A memorial service was held in Oroville, Wash.

MARLER—Timothy Marler, 64, of Florence, passed away Feb. 24, 2019.



Timothy Marler

A properly born on Veterans Day, Nov. 11, 1954, in San Jose, Calif., the third-

child born to Virginia and Kenneth Marler. Tim grew up in Santa Cruz, Calif., and was involved in Boy Scouts. He enjoyed fishing off the end of the pier with his brother and granddad.

Tim attended Soquel High School and served as a Specialist in the United States Army. He moved to Florence in 1997 from Springfield and worked as a professional chef at The Windward Inn and The Blue Hen, both in Florence.

Tim loved the outdoors, riding his motorcycle, target shooting, building cannons and his pets. He was a member of The Florence Elks Lodge, VFW and DAV and The Band of Brothers.

Tim is survived by his wife, Virginia "Ginger" Marler; daughter Theresa Brooks (Allen); his girls Karen (Dwayne), Rhonda (Carl)

and Angie (Donnie); granddaughter Ashley Horton and great-granddaughter, Pepper; sisters Nila Frankhauser and Margaret McGourn; a brother, Daniel (Cindy) Marler; his mother Virginia Marler; nieces Dr. Judy Richardson and Erin McGourn; nephews Kenneth and Caleb Frankhauser, Ted McGourn and Matthew Marler; several great-nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his father, Kenneth Marler; a brother-in-law, Larry Frankhauser; a son-in-law, "Space"; and son, Dennis Horton.

A memorial service will be on March 3, at 1 p.m. at The Florence Elks Lodge.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to the

Paralyzed Veterans Association.

Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home is in charge of all arrangements.



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