

On The Record

OBITUARIES

HARWOOD—Neil Welcome Harwood, 92, of Cottage Grove, passed away March 18, 2019.

He was born in Knappton, Wash., to Omar and Bethel (Skinner) Harwood. Neil joined the United States Army and worked as a surgical technician. He married Rachel Bessonette July 28, 1947, in Deadwood, Ore. They were married 69 years.

Neil worked logging related jobs, and for many years as a road grader operator in Mapleton. He enjoyed family and friends. Neil loved camping and exploring many places in Oregon. He also enjoyed having a full wood shed for cozy fires in his fireplace.

He is survived by son David (Janette) Harwood of Walterville, Ore.; son Jeffrey Harwood of Cottage Grove, Ore.; brother Oscar Harwood of Amity, Ore.; brother Rex Harwood of Weiser, Idaho; brother Marvin Harwood of Calif.; sister Margie Herzberg of Tigard, Ore.; brother Walter Harwood of Roseburg, Ore.; two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

He is preceded in death by his wife, Rachel Harwood.

Arrangements are in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel.

HEATH—Arlyne Billie Heath, 84, died of natural causes Feb. 6, 2019, in Mt. Vernon, Wash., where she had recently moved in with her daughter, Andrea Heath, and her husband, Craig Solomon.

Prior to that move, Lyn had lived in Florence OR since 1993.

Lyn Heath was born June 29, 1934 and was raised in Jump River, Wisc., by William and Hazel Carpenter.

Spending her early years on a farm in northern Wisconsin, Lyn grew up with a great affection for all animals — pets, domesticated and wild — and this passion continued throughout her lifetime as she volunteered her time and financial support to the Oregon Coast Humane Society in Florence, the ASPCA and the Humane Society.

She attended Sheldon High School and Beloit College, both in Wisconsin, and modeled in Minneapolis, Minn., in the 1950s before she met and married Donald A. Heath from Chicago, Ill. Together, they raised two daughters Terri Heath Ward (John Ward) and Andra Tammi Heath (Craig Solomon) in Rockford, Ill., and Butte des Morts, Wisc., near Oshkosh — where Lyn worked at Lenox Fine China and Gifts as a display designer.

In that capacity, she traveled across the U.S. setting up showrooms, display windows, convention booths and winning awards as National Display Designer and Lenox Employee of the Year.

In retirement, these skills were on display at PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Hospital and Medical Center's Gift Shop in Florence, where Lyn volunteered her time for more than a decade — first as a window display designer and eventually as manager and purchasing agent.

She regularly volunteered at Florence Food Share as well.

Lyn is preceded in death by her parents, three sisters: Leona Glidden, Lucille Almond and Gladys Charland and their husbands; and her own husband, Donald A. Heath in 2011; also her beloved cat, Brinks.

She is survived by two daughters: Terri (in Eugene, Ore.) and Andra (in Mt. Vernon, Wash.); their husbands: John and Craig; and two granddaughters: Ariel Heath Stavitsky, of Portland, Ore., and Zina Heath Stavitsky, of Reno, Nev.

A celebration of life for Lyn Heath will be held Sunday, April 14, in a room at the Florence Event Center in Florence for family and friends of Lyn.

The celebration will begin at 2 p.m., with a small reception to follow.

In lieu of flowers for the family, please consider a gift to the Oregon Coast Humane Society in Florence (OCHS) in Lyn Heath's honor, or the ASPCA fighting for animal rights across the country.

REBELLO—We lost a gentleman and friend when Anthony William Rebello, 77, peacefully left this world while at home on March 14,

2019, with his love, Rosemary, at his side.

Tony was born in Providence, R.I., on Aug. 21, 1941, and grew up in Santa Clara, Calif. Tony embraced his Portuguese roots and loved the dairy life he spent as a child, working with his dad milking cows.

While still in high school, Tony's first venture as an entrepreneur was escorting cows to Hawaii, selling them at auction to dairy farmers. After high school, Tony began working as a carpet layer and soon owned five carpet stores in Santa Clara County, Calif. While owning the stores, he continued his education, earning a masters degree in social work (MSW) and a masters degree in church history from San Francisco State University.

In his social work career, he quickly discovered his niche: Working with developmentally disabled children. He especially loved Down-Syndrome children, their sweet smiles and daily



Anthony Rebello

hugs. Tony also took classes at the California Culinary Academy in San Francisco, where he discovered his true passion, cooking.

In 1996, he and Rosemary married, moved to Ashland, Ore., and opened a bed & breakfast. They soon found they had many returning guests who not only enjoyed their hospitality, but loved Tony's gourmet breakfasts.

You never left the table hungry! After eight years as innkeepers, they retired to Florence, near the ocean Tony loved.

Tony proudly served his country. First in the Air Force, serving two tours of duty in Vietnam. After moving to Florence, he joined the Coast Guard Auxiliary, volunteering his time as a chef at the Siuslaw River Station. Tony was named Coast Guard Auxiliarist of the Year in 2014 for his contributions. He considered serving, supporting and working with the young men and women at the station one of his most gratifying experiences.

His is survived by his wife Rosemary, his 101 year old mother, two daughters, and two grandchildren. Tony will forever be remembered for his wonderful smile, his laugh, and of course, his sense of humor. Ser-

vices will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2019 at 11 a.m., St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 2135 19th Street, Florence. In lieu of flowers,

donations may be made to your favorite charity. Burn's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

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