

On The Record

OBITUARIES

OVERTON—Rosella “Faye” Overton (Crowson) was born March 1, 1933, in Junction City, Ore.



Rosella Overton

She married George Overton Aug. 16, 1951, in Reno, Nev. Faye grew up as the youngest child in the family of six brothers and one sister in the Monroe, Ingram Island and Junction City/Harrisburg area. She graduated in 1951 from Junction City High School. Her parents, J.B. and Francis Crowson, were hardworking, Depression-era farmers.

All her family have preceded her in death except one brother, Utah Crowson of Keizer, Ore.

Her example of “expect nothing and appreciate everything” was Faye’s greatest gift to her family. Mom truly learned that “your attitude really does effect your latitude.”

Faye and George had service stations in Halsey, Harrisburg, Junction City and then, in the mid ‘70s, moved to Florence, Ore., where they ran the Franco station. Later, Faye was a bright spot at the “Stop-N-Shop” close to Driftwood Shores.

In 1951, Faye started having boys. First came Stewart in 1953, followed by Jimmy in 1955, then Mike and Brian in 1956. In 1981, Kyle (Mike’s son) was added to the family.

Husband George, along with sons Jimmy and Mike, preceded Mom in death.

For many years and after having several underlying health issues, Faye worked several part-time jobs to support her family; it was

her attitude that carried her through.

Faye never met a stranger and could visit with anyone. She worked on a part-time basis until she was 80 years old.

Faye had many talents that few knew about. Her gift of a beautiful alto singing voice was a compliment to several of her sons, who enjoyed singing as she taught them harmony.

She also played the piano and it was always amazing to experience her ability to hear a piece of music and then sit right down and play it. Faye also played the accordion.

Her love for the Oregon coast and the beach was evident in her rock polishing and agate collection. And if your wife needed a necklace and set of earrings — just see Mom.

Faye came to enjoy travel as her brother invited her fishing in Mexico and there would be trips with family to Broadway musicals in New York; graduation and weddings in Texas; cliff dwellings in New Mexico; family reunions in Oklahoma; and one very memorable trip to Buchar Gardens on Vancouver Island, where music and musicals were center stage.

Faye was a great traveling partner — because she expected nothing and appreciated everything.

Mom was a good cook but was not the “cookie baking kind of mom.” Our mom was the kind of mom who could change a starter in a car or pump gas all day long and still be patient and kind enough to help a teenage son or grandson by listening to their problem.

She was the kind of grandma that a young parent could confide in, or a depressed middle-aged man could seek out in a phone call.

Our mom was our friend that we enjoyed talking to everyday of our lives for years. Our mom never laid a guilt trip on us, never created competition with our brothers, never asked for a new home or new car, never complained about her parents or in-laws or husband or children or grandchildren.

Our mom “expected nothing and appreciated everything.” She also learned that “your attitude truly does effect your latitude.”

Faye died peacefully at home with her boys by her side.

Faye is survived by the Stewart and Susan Overton family of Culver, Ore.; grandson Mitch and Melissa Overton; great-grandchildren: Chris, Mathew and Evelyn of Colorado Springs; granddaughter Gigi Overton; and great-granddaughter Zoey Overton of El Paso, Texas; great-granddaughter Misty Overton of Eugene, Ore.; Mike’s son Kyle and Michele Overton; great-grand daughters Bailey and Parker of Florence; the Brian and Donna Overton family; grandson Richard DeSantis; great-grand daughter Brionna Larson; Lacey Webb, Torean and Trendel DeSantis; grand daughter Hannah and Cory Dickinson; son Eben and daughter Ezra; Jacobi Jone and wife Brook; and sons Gage and Drew Saindon.

Faye also has many Crowson nieces and nephews who loved her dearly and have been a great source of strength. Private interment was held at the Alford Cemetery in Harrisburg, Ore. Burns’s Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

SARGENT—Erma passed away June 24, 2020, after a long battle with Alzheimer’s disease.



Erma Sargent

She was born July 5, 1932, to Emalee and Harold Nute at South Slough (Florence, Ore).

She went to school in the Florence area and graduated from Siuslaw High School in 1951.

Erma had two brothers, Don and Dick. They spent many years living on the North Fork of the Siuslaw. She married Gale Seits in 1950 and they later divorced.

In 1980, Erma married George Sargent. They lived in Crescent, Ore., for many years. Hunting and fishing was much of their life together until George passed away in 2003.

Erma was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Don and husband George.

She is survived by her children: Tom Seits and his wife Jan, of Alsea, Ore.; Terri Lawrence of Florence; and Conni Kief and her husband Corky, of Florence; nine grandchildren and many great-grandchildren.

There will be a celebration of life held July 5 at 1 p.m. If interested in attending, call Terri Lawrence.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to Serenity Hospice, 1020 Green Acres Rd., Eugene, Ore.

Burns’s Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

BIRTHS

SMITH—Mila Susan Smith, a girl weighing 8lbs., 10 ozs., and measuring 20 inches in length, was born to Lindy and Kevin Smith on June 16, 2020, at Peace Harbor Medical Center.

State and County COVID counts

as of June 29, 2020

Lane County Public Health (LCPH) —

Lane County Public Health (LCPH) was notified of 12 additional positive test results for COVID-19. This makes a total of 130 positive tests and 15 presumptive cases in Lane County for a total of 145*.

- Hospitalized: 1
- Sick at home: 57
- Recovered: 84
- Deaths: 3

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) —

COVID-19 has claimed two more lives in Oregon, raising the state’s death toll to 204. The OHA reported 146 new confirmed and presumptive cases of COVID-19, bringing the state total to 8,485.

The new confirmed and presumptive COVID-19 cases reported as of June 29 by county: Clackamas (18), Deschutes (2), Douglas (2), Jackson (3), Jefferson (3), Josephine (1), Klamath (5), Lake (2), Lane (6), Malheur (5), Marion (14), Multnomah (29), Tillamook (2), Umatilla (15), Union (5), Wasco (6), Washington (27), and Yamhill (1).

For statewide daily count updates from OHA, as well as Lane and Douglas counties, visit the Siuslaw News’ all-access Coronavirus Updates page online at www.TheSiuslawNews.com

WEATHER DATA

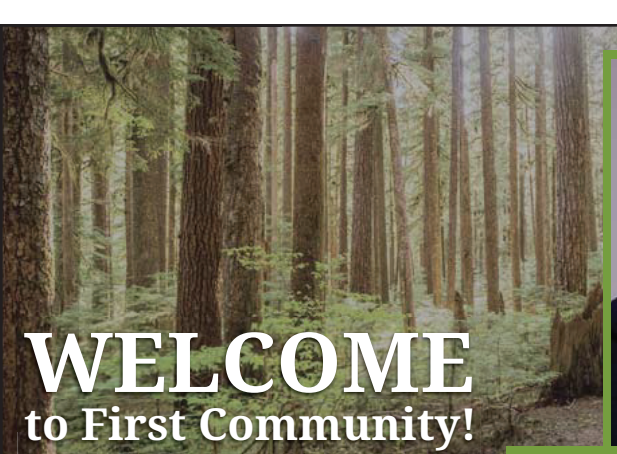
DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
June 23	73	49	0.00
June 24	66	55	0.00
June 25	66	48	0.00
June 26	68	51	0.00
June 27	65	52	0.00
June 28	64	51	0.05
June 29	65	54	0.00

Rainfall Week: 0.05”
Month: 4.59” Year: 43.67”

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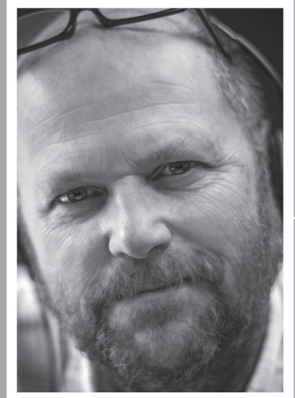
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This July The Siuslaw News is having a shoe drive to help those in need in our community. Please help someone get on their feet by donating new or gently used and clean shoes, specifically men’s size 10 and up. You may drop off your donated items at The Siuslaw News 148 Maple St. in Historic Old Town Florence

Donations accepted until July 31st.

Other items needed for fall: Tarps, heavey blankets, socks, pocket ponchos, monetary donations for operations.



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