

IN MEMORIAM

Death Notice

Eloise Mae Morales, 72, of Cottage Grove passed away Sept. 20, 2015. No service will be held. Arrangements under the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

Dennis Cooper 1944-2015

Dennis "Denny" Cooper, 71, of Cottage Grove passed away Sept. 22, 2015.

He was born June 17, 1944 in Florence, Ore. to Henry Harold and Nellie (Frasieur) Cooper.

Denny served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam war. He worked as a clipper operator at Bald Knob Mill in Creswell.

He loved his two dogs, animals, reading, the outdoors and video games. He was an exceptional grandfather.

Survivors include a son, Rus-

sell D. Cooper and wife Marsha, of Cloverdale, Ore., a daughter, Brenda D. Cooper of Thurston, Ore., four brothers, Harold Cooper and wife Judy of Ohio, Darryl Cooper of Cottage Grove, Alan Cooper and wife Jacquie of Bandon, Ore., and Kevin Cooper and wife Glenna of Cottage Grove, a sister, Jeanine Morrow, three grandchildren, two step-grandchildren, and three step great-grandchildren.

A private service was held. Arrangements under the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

Glenn Clinton Perkey 1941-2015

Glenn Clinton Perkey, 74, of Bend, Ore. died Sept. 16, 2015 of natural causes.

A celebration of life was held on Saturday, Sept. 26, 2015 at the Redmond Christian Church in Redmond.

Glenn, known to many as "Clint", was born May 18, 1941 in Seaside, Ore., the son of Glenn and Grace (Shelley) Perkey. He was a 1959 graduate of Cottage Grove High School. Glenn spent his early career in the retail business. His entrepreneurial spirit later led him to be a rancher, logger, timber broker and real estate investor.

Glenn is survived by his wife, Diane of Bend, two sons: Doug of Cottage Grove and Justin of Bend, a daughter, Karen Williams of Drain, a stepson, John Forney of Visalia, Calif., a step-daughter, Jodie Hanan of Springfield, a sister, Sharon Brainard, 15 grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

Glenn is preceded in death by his parents, brother (Clyde), and a stepdaughter (Gloria Rutledge).

Memorial contributions may be made in honor of Glenn to the Bread of Life Food Bank of Baker City, 3453 H Street, Baker City, OR 97814.

Baird Funeral Home of Bend is honored to serve Mr. Perkey's family. Those interested can visit www.bairdfh.com to share condolences and sign the online guestbook.



BIRTHS

Sept. 20, 2015

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Velma L. Eggebraaten 1921-2015

Velma was born to Freddie and Louise Conley on June 29, 1921 in Volga, SD. She died August 25, 2015 in Medford, OR.

She attended country school in Brookings County and graduated from Volga High School in 1938.

On May 3, 1941, she married Lyle W Eggebraaten. Together they raised three children - Sheila, Linda and Gale.

Velma was a talented seamstress and enjoyed designing and sewing for the family including coats, costumes, an elaborate formal and draperies. Velma & Lyle were wonderful dancers and a highlight was winning a dance contest at the Corn Palace in Mitchell, SD. After the family moved to California in 1958, she, along with Lyle, became avid bowlers. That continued after they moved to Cottage Grove, OR in 1975 and worked together at The Bowling Green. She loved having friends and family stop in anytime for a game of dominoes or Yahtzee. Another hobby was crocheting, including afghans and making "bed dolls" for the family - over 20 in all and each one different.

Lyle passed away in 1985 and in 1999 she moved to Medford OR to be closer to family. She lived 15 years at Anna Maria Retirement Center where she was well known for delivering birthday and get-well cards to the other residents. She was a regular at the weekly Bingo games and several people remember enjoying watching her toes tapping under the table when there was musical entertainment. In June, 2015, needing some personal assistance, she moved to Northridge Assisted Living. Her time there was short but residents again commented about how much they enjoyed her. She was really a people person.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Lyle, a sister, VaDonna and brother-in-law Al Julian, a sister, Marlene Northam, and two brothers, Cecil and Ronald Conley.

She is survived by her three children, eight grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren, one great-great granddaughter, brother-in-law, Virgil Northam, and numerous nieces and nephews.

A graveside service will be at 12:00 p.m., Saturday, October 10 at Fir Grove Cemetery in Cottage Grove.



MOVING UP HIGHER
with
Joyce Meyer



Trust more and stress less

How to change your thinking for a healthier mind and body

Our thoughts are connected to every single area of our lives. They affect our words, moods, attitudes, the choices we make, and even our relationship with God and others. They also affect our emotional and physical health.

In fact, research shows that 75 to 98 percent of mental, physical, and behavioral illness comes from one's thought life. The mind and body are definitely connected!

For instance, did you know you can stress yourself out by the way you think? So often, we believe our circumstances are to blame for our unhappiness, however it's the way we think about our circumstances that usually causes worry and stress.

Stress is a modern-day epidemic. It's been proven to cause issues like muscle tension, headaches, breathing irregularities, increased heart rate, artery inflammation, gastro-intestinal problems, constipation and diarrhea. And that's only a few of the symptoms!

The good news is God has given us the answer for worry and stress. What's his prescription? Trust. Proverbs 3:5 (AMP) says, "Lean on, trust in, and be confident in the Lord with all your heart and mind and do not rely on your own insight or understanding."

Trusting God is the greatest stress reliever in the world, and our minds play an important role in the process. We have a

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Steven Gibbs 1927-2015

Steven Gibbs died in Sacred Heart University District Hospital from pneumonia on September 12, 2015 at the age of 88.

He was born May 22, 1927, the seventh of eight children born to Woodsie Gibbs and America (Arwood) Gibbs at Lily, Wisconsin. There were six brothers and one sister. One brother died as an infant. He grew up on the family dairy farm in Lily.

Steve joined the navy March 30, 1945. He trained at Great Lakes Naval Station and served in the Pacific theater on several ships as an electrician's mate 3rd class. He was honorably discharged from active duty March 19, 1948 and from reserve duty March 19, 1953.

Steve married Ifa Chapman November 11, 1948 in Hood River, Oregon. They had two sons, Steven Robert & Roderick Eugene (Rick). The family lived in Hood River, Lebanon and Springfield. Steven and Ifa divorced in 1980.

Steve married Nova (Leigh) Parks at his home in Springfield on May 16, 1981. They lived there until 1998 then purchasing their present home at Middlefield Estates in Cottage Grove.

Steve was hired by Willamette Industries, Inc. as a mill worker in 1959. He was transferred to their plywood plant in Springfield in 1963 to oversee some construction and serve as Plant Manager until his retirement June 1, 1987.

He and Nova had 28 great retirement years including a winter home at a golf resort in Arizona, RVing, three cruises, traveling and golfing together. Steve had a lifetime love of hunting and fishing.

He is survived by Nova; his two sons, Steven (Tena) and Rick (Caroline); three step-sons, Dan Parks (Georgia), Dave Parks (Julie), and Don Parks (Dianna); two grandsons, Jackson Gibbs and Peter Gibbs (Patrycja); five step-grandsons; one step-granddaughter; nine step-great grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Steve's entire family preceded him in death including three half-brothers and five half-sisters from his father's first marriage and a half-sister, Millie, from his mother's first marriage. He remained very close to Millie and his two brothers, Elmer & Woodsie Gibbs, until their deaths.

Steve was a life member of Springfield Elks and attended Northwood Christian Church.

There will be a celebration of Steve's life Friday, October 16, 2015 at 12:00 Noon at Northwood Christian Church, 2425 Harvest Lane, in Springfield, Oregon. Lunch to follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made in his memory to Community Sharing of Cottage Grove.



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