

IN MEMORIAM

Lisa Eloise Burdett 1969-2015

Lisa Eloise Burdett, 46, of Cottage Grove, Oregon passed away Oct. 18, 2015.

She was born May 14, 1969 in Santa Clara, Calif. to Adolph and Sharon (Rose) Lavin.



On Jan. 8, 1993 in Eugene, Oregon, she and James R. Burdett were married.

Lisa was a wonderful stay-at-home mom. She had a crafts booth for the last 12 years at Bohemia Mining Days, enjoyed collecting marbles and loved her family and her dogs.

She is survived by her husband, her mother, a daughter, Destanee Burdett, all of Cottage Grove, two sisters, Debra Dunn of Eugene and Terry Ray of Elmira, and a brother, Cody Lavin.

No service is planned. Memorial contributions may be given to the Lisa Burdett Memorial Fund at any Wells Fargo Bank. Arrangements under the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

Elaine Jean Kirkruff 1928-2015

Elaine Jean Kirkruff, 86, of Cottage Grove, Oregon passed away Oct. 18, 2015.

She was born Dec. 22, 1928 in Oakland, Calif. to Ally and Florence (McLeod) Summerford.



She graduated in 1946 from Narbonne High School in Lomita, Calif.

On June 22, 1947 in Yuma, Arizona, she and Kenneth Glenn Kirkruff were married.

Elaine was a homemaker. She also worked in the cosmetics department of a drug store while in high school.

She participated in Little League, Brownies and Boy Scouts. She enjoyed playing the slot machines and watching tennis tournaments. Spending time with her family was her first priority. She loved people and enjoyed company. Her home was always clean and tidy and was always open. She was a member of the Birthday Do-Dah Girls, was the VFW Auxiliary Chaplain and member of the Hospital Auxiliary for 12 years.

Survivors include her husband, Glenn Kirkruff, two sons and daughters-in-law, Darrell and JoAnn Kirkruff and Bob and Linda Kirkruff, a sister, Donnette Houser, four grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren with one on the way, all of Cottage Grove.

A Celebration of Life will be held Saturday, Nov. 7 at 11 a.m. at Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel with a reception following the service at the VFW Post, 3160 Hillside Dr. in Cottage Grove. Inurnment will be at Fir Grove Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements under the care of

Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

Ada Jeanette Clark 1938-2015

Ada Jeanette Clark, 77, of Cottage Grove, Oregon passed away Oct. 27, 2015.

She was born March 20, 1938 in Liberty, S.C. to Clifford and Odie (Haynes) Bolding.

She completed the eighth grade and on Nov. 24, 1952, in York, S.C. she married Junior Farris "J.R." Clark.

Jeanette was a wonderful homemaker and the best mom and grandma ever. She enjoyed bird watching, trips to the coast, going to yard sales, special TV shows, listening to blue grass gospel and Christian stations. She loved singing with her husband and spending time with family and friends. She never complained and everyone loved her. She was a member of Living Faith Assembly in Cottage Grove, and the Western Oregon Opry.

Survivors include her three daughters and their husbands, Deborah and Edwin Prather of Lebanon, Ore., Janet and Randy Osban of Cottage Grove and Vermayha and Jeffrey Smith of Cottage Grove, nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren, nine sisters, Thelma McCarthy, Betty Mae McAteer, Libby Williams, Rose Marie Spicer, Shirley Adams, Sandra Lane, Vickie Welch, Pam Jenkins, and Cindy Carpenter, and three brothers, Wayne Bolding, David Bolding and Michael Bolding.

Jeanette was preceded in death by her husband of 61 years, J.R. Clark, on Feb. 17, 2014.

A visitation will be held from 6-8 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 5, 2015, at Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove. A funeral will be at 11:30 a.m. on Friday, Nov. 6, 2015, at the Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel with a private family burial at Sears Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the Diabe-



tes Association. Arrangements by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

Paul Cook 1948-2015

Paul "Rocky" Cook 67, of Cottage Grove, Oregon died Oct. 20, 2015.

He was born April 11, 1948 in Cottage Grove to Paul and Lucille Cook.



He served in the U.S. Navy during the Vietnam War. Paul worked in sawmills in Coos Bay, Creswell, and Eugene, Oregon.

Paul loved his family and was an exceptional "Papa" to his grandkids. He also enjoyed coming up with inventions, was the ultimate handyman, and was always willing to help anyone in need.

He is survived by his son and daughter-in-law, Paul and Holly Cook of Springfield, Ore., daughter and son-in-law, Crystal and Ryan Pitcher of Brookings, Ore., son, Sean Michaels of Marina, Calif., mother, Lucille Norris of Creswell, Ore., four brothers, Roger "Buck" Cook of Frisco, Texas, Doug "Rusty" Cook of Creswell, Ore., Jim Cook of Springfield, Ore., and Leroy "Doodle" Cook of Creswell, Ore., two sisters, Becky Work of Cottage Grove, Ore. and Melody DeLorme of Eugene, Ore., and four grandchildren along with many nieces and nephews.

A celebration of life was held Nov. 1 at 1 p.m. at the VFW Hall in Creswell. Arrangements under the care of Andreason's Cremation and Burial, Springfield.

Matthew Ryan 'Mattie' VanBrocklin 2000 - 2015

Matthew Ryan "Mattie" VanBrocklin, 15, of Sweet Home passed away Thursday, Oct. 29 while fishing the Santiam River. He was born on May 3,

2000, in Connecticut.

Mattie was raised in Cottage Grove and recently moved to Sweet Home in August, 2015. He was attending Sweet Home High School as a Sophomore. He was very likable and well loved. He was an avid fisherman and loved fishing and hunting with his brothers. He always enjoyed the outdoors.



He is survived by his dad, Gerold VanBrocklin, and Gerold's wife, Juanita, of Sweet Home; his aunts and uncles that he was raised with, which were more like brothers and sisters to him: Michael and his wife Kelsey of Cottage Grove, Angie and her husband Steve of California, Sherry and her husband Shane of Dayton, Eddie and Chris of Portland, Kelly and her husband Mark of Medford, Robin and her husband Aaron of Michigan, Amanda and her husband Matt of Michigan; five brothers and sisters in Connecticut and numerous nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Matthew was preceded in death by his mom, Cheryl (2009), Great Mama, Esther (2015), and great grandfather, Bert (2002).

A Celebration of life will be 2 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 7 at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish Hall, 1025 N 19th Street, in Cottage Grove. Sweet Home Funeral Chapel is handling arrangements. www.sweethomefuneral.com. Donations may be made at https://www.gofundme.

Death Notice

Mary Parker Haskins, 70, of Cottage Grove passed away Oct. 23, 2015. Arrangements under the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove.

~ ALLAN KIDD ~ 1937-2015 ~

Allan Arthur Kidd died on October 23, 2015 at the age of 78. He was born on January 4, 1937 in Harris, Saskatchewan, Canada. He is survived by his wife, Sharon; three children, Tamara Kidd, Blaid Kidd and wife, April, and Brooke Baker and husband, John; three grandsons, Kyle Brown, Camren Baker, and Dylan Kidd; two granddaughters, Shelby Kidd and Peyton Kidd; and one great-grandson, Joshua Baker. He worked for Paper Caterpillar until his retirement. No services will be held.



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Phillip Charles Jensen 1929-2015

Phillip Charles Jensen was born in Lincoln, Nebraska January 7, 1929, just in time for some of America's most historic moments. The third of four children born to Emma and Charley Jensen grew up during the Great Depression while living in the middle of Dust Bowl territory. As veterans of WWI, his parents received veterans' bonuses, allowing them to move the family with a homemade trailer to the farming community of Modesto, California after losing all their savings in a bank failure.

Modesto was an ideal landing place for that 3rd grader who was full of mischief and invention. He and best friend Jack knew every alley and orchard in town and got themselves into plenty of boyish trouble. Recounting these escapades was a continued source of amusement throughout his life. One memorable afternoon found him pulling off huge bunches of Thompson grapes and passing



them through the windows to the appreciative troops on a WWII troop train temporarily stopped in town. Though there was plenty of fun in Modesto, there was also tragedy when he lost his mother to cancer when he was 15, and his little sister Rosalie when she was sent to live with his aunt in Nebraska after their mother's death. Older brother Bob, and sister, Elinor, had already left home for their careers and he remained alone with his grieving father.

At age 17 he joined the Navy and attended school to become a machinist's mate. Stationed on the USS Oglethorpe and the USS Floyds Bay out of San Diego, he spent time in Alaska, Guam, Hong Kong, and China, while living the raucous life of a sailor and embellishing both arms with classic tattoos. His buddy Jack reenlisted on the same ship so they could serve together, and this was the source of more shenanigans and stories. They remained life-long friends, but his training as a machinist was going to stay with him even longer. As a Navy veteran he loved his country, but loathed politics and war, and consistently desired a more peaceful world.

Under the GI Bill he completed a four-year school and apprenticeship in only three years at Fresno State. As an experimental design or prototype machinist, Phil was in his element. Parts that he designed or produced went to the moon, saved lives, entertained, and amazed. He built his reputation with companies large and small in the San Francisco Bay Area, and obtained two patents for his inventions. Later he had his own shop and loyal customers and was proud to say he never overcharged for a job or delivered less than his best work.

A perfectionist and life-long learner he never missed an opportunity to master a new skill-from Photoshop to new recipes. He began to get interested in miniature engines and built more than two dozen tiny working replicas of old engines, frequently manufacturing the parts himself. He enjoyed traveling and displaying his engines at shows and teaching others the skills to build their own. He also enjoyed fixing anything and when retired loved to frequent garage sales to find broken clocks, watches, microscopes, furniture or anything else he could fix, use for a while, and then give away - doing his small part in making the world run a little more smoothly.

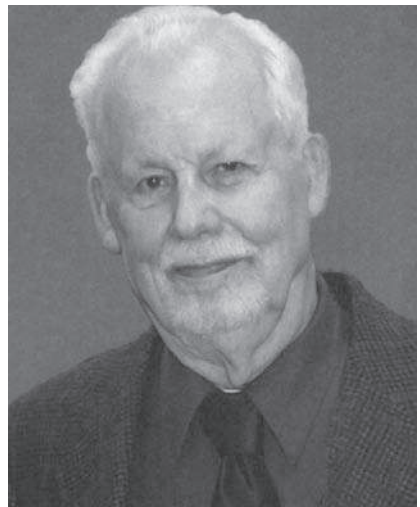
Phil married Joan Hicks in Twin Falls in 1950 and they had three children; Janet, Dolores (Lori) and Thomas. They lived in Fresno, CA for a short while, Sunnyvale, CA until 1960, and Fremont, CA where they divorced in 1970. He is survived by his children, grandchildren Todd, Shawn, Elisa, Sam, Erin, Catherine, and Erik and great-grandchildren Cameron, Nathan C., Samantha, Zackary, Isabella, and Nathan S.

His children remember their many family trips and adventures - from sailing the small Flying Junior in the San Francisco Bay, houseboating in the Sacramento River Delta, camping, road trips in the Rambler station wagon, tide-pooling, catching lizards and tarantulas, spinning cookies on ice-covered parking lots, and fishing the rivers and lakes; to dress-up nights in San Francisco for a movie and dinner, spending the weekend exploring Carmel, or eating popcorn from a paper grocery sack with chunks of Hershey Bar while watching a scary movie. Phil wanted to try it all and exposed his children to numerous adventures and life lessons.

He married Lora Lee (Lori) Storaasli in 1982 and remained a faithful and devoted husband to her until his death. They shared a rich, deep, and lasting love and mutual respect for each other. Lori had four children from her previous marriage; Mark, Jeri, Vic and Harry, who were embraced by him, as she embraced his children. He shared many adventures with Lori's children, grandchildren, Hannah and Amanda, and great-grandchildren, Helen and Amelia, who observed his love of nature and respect for living things and for whom he served as the only grandfather they knew. A visit to Phil and Lori's home was always full of giggles and jokes, rescued cats, puzzles, and an ample serving of ice cream while watching a British mystery to finish off the day. They honeymooned in Tahiti, traveled to Europe and Scandinavia, explored the west in the Chinook camper (nick-named the 'woo wagon' by those who knew them well), and made countless trips up and down the Oregon coast. Both of them volunteered in the small community of Cottage Grove, OR where they have lived since 1999.

Phil was an inventor, a creator, a fixer, and had insatiable curiosity. He was constantly fabricating a new part or improving a design. He passed on his love of engineering to three generations of his family and in doing so spawned a number of engineers and problem-solvers. He was a kid at heart and an eternal prankster, and loved explosions. He always had a new joke or an old story to tell. He never lost his sense of humor even in his final days. His stories and antics will live on in all who knew him.

Phil was a role model to many, a lover of animals great and small, and he held a huge and generous heart. He was surrounded by love and family in his final days.



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