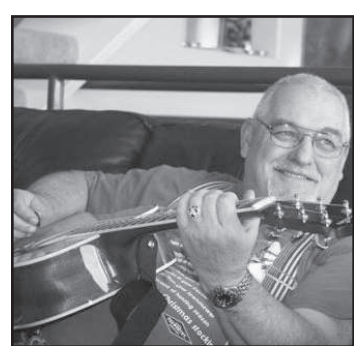


IN MEMORIAM

Leo Kenneth Hart 1948-2018



Leo Kenneth Hart II, 69 of Drain Oregon passed away peacefully surrounded by his immediate family in Springfield, OR on Feb. 19, 2018 from an abdominal aortic aneurysm. He had just spent a weekend retreat at a lake house with his family. Leo was born on April 3, 1948 in Roseburg OR to Leo and Dolores (Kelly) Hart. He graduated from Cottage Grove High School. Immediately

after high school he joined the Air Force and was recognized for Air Force Outstanding Unit and Small Arms Expert Marksman. He completed Supply Service Specialist and Survival Instructor training, and then spent time as a survival instructor and fought in Vietnam. Leo was proud to be a veteran and to have served his country. He attended OSU, and ultimately went to work at Weyerhaeuser. He married Mari Hague in November of 1972. Leo worked for Weyerhaeuser for 41 years retiring in 2014. He and Mari celebrated their 45th wedding anniversary in November 2017. He was a lover of music and an adventurer who liked camping and fishing. He enjoyed working with kids, was a soccer coach at CG High School, Boy Scout Leader and camp counselor at Camp Baker on the coast. Leo is survived by his wife Mari, his two sons, Kirk and Jeremy who continue to live in Oregon, and sister Jeannie, aka. Nancy, who currently resides in Alaska. A Celebration of Life will be held at 2 p.m. on Saturday, March 24 2018 at the Masonic Lodge, 33322 Row River Rd. Cottage Grove, OR 97424

Memorial contributions may be made to Operation Homefront and Wounded Warrior Program. Arrangements in the care of Smith Lund Mills Funeral Chapel.



Do you ever wonder what your life would look like if fear didn't exist? For example, what if you had the confidence to pursue every passion God gave you? Just imagine for a moment what that would look like. Well, God gives us a special gift called faith so we can do amazing things for Him. And I want to encourage you to step out of your comfort zone and exercise that gift full time.

Faith gives us so much potential because it motivates us to move forward in the plans God has for us. But fear is a feeling Satan uses to keep our focus inward. It makes us feel anxious, causes us to dread the future, and it can keep us from saying and doing things that would reveal more of God's love to the world.

We need to learn to interrupt fear at its onset—before it begins to settle in our spirit. The choice is to either let Satan stop us in our tracks or to go forward in faith, believing God is in control.

The good news is, when we're struggling with fear, we can turn to God's Word for an inspiring, encouraging reality check. Romans 8:31 (AMPC) says, "If God is for us, who [can be] against us? [Who can be our foe, if God is on our side?]" And Psalm 27:1 says, "The Lord is my Light and my Salvation—whom shall I fear or dread? The Lord is the Refuge and Stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?"

These scriptures are basically saying that if we believe God's Word, then we have already won the battle we're facing.

Jesus tells us in Mark 11:22 that we are to have faith in God constantly. God doesn't want you to be fearful at any time. He wants you to be bold, confident, courageous and full of faith every day of your life—not just until you have a problem or until someone mistreats you. There's no until. And no one can stop God from answering a prayer that lines up with His Word and His will for our life.

What Faith Does In Times of Waiting

Throughout the course of a lifetime, we spend a lot of time waiting. And that is often the case with prayer. We can spend years praying for something to happen. And during that time, Satan will do everything he can to discourage us. He will try to convince us that God doesn't love us, that God's promises are for more worthy people, or that we didn't really hear from God in the first place. But if we will choose to trust God continually, we can keep moving forward in His plans for us.

The truth is, even if you don't see the fulfillment of every dream or desire of your heart here on earth, God will be pleased as you continue to believe in His perfect plan. And in the meantime, your faith will fill you with hope, joy and peace.

Frank Stalder 1932-2018



Frank Stalder of Cottage Grove, OR died on Feb. 23, 2018, at the age of 85. He was born on July 22, 1932 in Cottage Grove to parents John and Laura (Davison) Stalder. He was a truck driver for both timber and construction industries. He enjoyed hunting, especially Canada Moose hunting. He was a farmer and raised cattle, sheep, pigs, and chickens.

In his earlier years he enjoyed fishing. He especially loved spending time with his family and visiting the neighbors. He married Charlene A. Boyd in Springfield, OR on March 24, 1950. Frank is survived by his wife, Charlene of Cottage Grove; daughter, Marjie A. (Jerry) Vaverka of Cottage Grove; daughter, Lola (Denny) Bordeaux of Cottage Grove; daughter, Linda Stalder of Florida; daughter, Freda Edmunds (Bob Potter) of Cottage Grove; daughter, Wanda Stalder of Cottage Grove; daughter, Heidi Stalder of Creswell; daughter, Jenny (Tim) Brown of Sisters, OR; and daughter, Nina Allen of Portland; 9 grandchildren and 5 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a daughter, Pat Stalder.

A Celebration of Life and Potluck will be held at the London Grange at noon on Saturday, March 10. Burial will be in Fir Grove Cemetery in Cottage Grove. Arrangements are in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Roy Arnold Mehan Jr. 1957-2018



Roy Arnold Mehan Jr. of Cottage Grove, Oregon passed away Feb. 24, 2018 at the age of 60. He was born November 17, 1957 in Palo Alto, California to parents Roy Mehan Sr., and Lavern (Bernard) Weeks. Roy was a business owner, operator and log truck driver. His interests included wood working, farming, sewing, western movies, match box car collecting, hunting, fishing, trap shooting, he was mechanical, enjoyed spending time with his family, and he lived to work. Roy is survived by father Roy Mehan Sr. of Cottage Grove, OR; his life partner Rhonda Flood of Camas Valley, OR; daughter Lakisha Gordon of Cottage Grove, OR; daughter Terry Dorr of Cottage Grove, OR; son Roy Mehan of Camas Valley, OR; brother Bob Mehan of Redmond, OR; sister Rhonda Wiltermood of Cottage Grove, OR; and 6 grandchildren. Roy was preceded in death by his mother Lavern Weeks. A Celebration of life will be held at a later date. Arrangements in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove, Oregon. Please send your condolences to the family at smithlundmills.com.

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DEATH NOTICES

Trujillo — Nelda M. Trujillo, 91, of Cottage Grove, Or, died March 2. A memorial service and reception will be at noon Wednesday, March 14, at the Smith Lund Mills Funeral Chapel, 123 S. 7th St. in Cottage Grove, OR. Arrangements by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Cox — Noletta A. Cox, 45, of Cottage Grove, OR, died Feb. 28. No service is planned. Arrangements by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Venable-George Venable, 61 of Yoncalla died Feb. 28. Arrangements by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Donna Sue (McKinney) Laney 1938-2018



Donna Sue (McKinney) Laney passed away on February 23, 2018 in Bend, Oregon. Donna was born on February 27, 1938 in Macon, Missouri to Charles and Beulah (Smith) McKinney.

Donna graduated from Cuba High School, Cuba Missouri in 1956. She spent a number of years working at The Cuba Free Press prior to moving to Cottage Grove, Oregon in 1976. She worked for Kinkade Insurance and Western States Insurance until her retirement. After retirement, she enjoyed many volunteer activities. She delighted in working with the SMART reading program at Bohemia Elementary School and with the Cottage Grove Chamber of commerce, where she shared her love of Oregon with visitors. Donna was a member of the Cottage Grove United Methodist Church.

She loved the beauty of the Willamette Valley and visiting the Oregon coast with family.

Donna was preceded in death by her parents and her sister, Patricia Happel. She is survived by daughters; Dianna (Randy) Marshall of Bend, Oregon and Karen (Doug) Miller of Alpharetta, Georgia and four grandchildren; Ryan, Kaitlyn, Colin and Emma, as well as many friends.

A memorial service will be held on April 7, 2018 at 2pm at the United Methodist Church, 334 Washington Ave, Cottage Grove.



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