

RECORDS

OBITUARIES

(WILLIAMS)
JOSE—Geraldine Kay (Williams) Jose, born April 15, 1944, was preceded in death by her parents, Odus and Jessie Williams, and seven siblings.

Gerri passed away



**Geraldine
(Williams) Jose**

May 7, 2018.

She is survived by her son, Leroy Fenn, of Dallas, Ore.; brothers: John Williams of Drain, Herb Williams of Creswell and Doug Williams of Cottage Grove; and sisters:

Marie Jackson of LaPine, Arlene Giffen of Springfield, and Linda Helton of Cottage Grove.

Gerri worked in the food service industry until she retired.

BIRTHS

Amanda and Mike Butts of Cottage Grove welcomed a baby boy on May 17 at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center - RiverBend.

Sara and John Palmer of Cottage Grove welcomed a baby girl on May 17 at PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center RiverBend.

DEATH NOTICE

Ethelmae Atherton, 90, of Cottage Grove, died May 16. A funeral followed by a reception will be at 1 p.m. Friday, June 8, at the Cottage Grove Masonic Lodge in Cottage Grove, OR. Arrangements by Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

**Kristi Jean Coomler (Sherrill)
1962-2018**



Kristi Jean Coomler (Sherrill) was born to Hazel Jeanette McCullough Coomler and Henry Howard Coomler on September 18, 1962 in Cottage Grove Oregon. She grew up on Kennady Lane, Cottage Grove Oregon. She herself described her childhood as: "I was born lucky; the world was mine I lived on 92 acres on a mountain...life was perfect. I ate the best food in the world from the garden and ate the best meat in the world..." She enjoyed playing with her horses, playing with the farm animals and pets, and climbing trees in the orchard with her nieces. Kristi enjoyed her primary education at a small country school, Latham School. She graduated from Cottage Grove High School September 1980. She married Timothy Sherrill December 20, 1980. She is survived by her 3 children; Brandon Sherrill, Justin Sherrill, Tafi Sherrill, and two grandchildren. She is also survived by her 2 brothers and one sister and her brother in law; Richard Coomler, David Coomler, Diane Coomler/Bill Berg. She is also survived by her beloved cats: Wishpuff and Mr. Mouse. Kristi enjoyed gardening, and crafts. Kris was well known for her wit and humor which seemed come out at any unexpected moment! Everyone enjoyed that which some say was handed down to her from her mother! Kristi will be missed, by all of us that love her. Arrangements in the care of Smith-Lund-Mills Funeral Chapel, Cottage Grove, Oregon.

POLICE LOG

May 14

A gas station attendant on Main St. reported that a driver who was filling up had a fifth of whiskey between his legs and was consuming it while getting fuel.

May 15

A man on Davis Pl. reported that his water hose and nozzle from the side of his home had been stolen.

May 16

A man on 7th St. reports that a subject was trying to force entry into a church in an attempt to get some water. After words between the two, the subject left and began trying to flag down passing cars.

May 17

A bar on Main St. reported that a man who appeared to be on meth came into the bar and then abruptly left.

A report of "loud drumming" came from an individual on 4th St. stating that the noise was disturbing to area residents and has

been an ongoing problem with loud music. The officers came to the scene and reported that the "drumming is at a reasonable noise level."

May 18

After returning from vacation, a man on Harrison St. reported that there were tracks on his lawn and it appeared to have been driven over by some sort of large equipment.

A theft of a front license plate was reported on Pennoyer St.

A man who refused to identify himself requested assistance because he was stuck between two locked doors at the library.

A couple of bags of garbage were dumped behind a business on Main St. and a complainant was concerned that one appeared to be full of used needles.

A suspicious condition was reported at the police station when an individual with second hand information informed the officers that some protesters might be planning a riot or protest on main street. The com-

plainant reported that buses of people might be coming in for the event.

May 19

A father reported that his 15-year-old son was armed with a stolen handgun and was heading to Bohemia Park.

Reckless driving was reported after an individual on a bicycle was nearly hit on Shoreview Dr. The individual believed that a drug transaction may have been taking place.

A man reported seeing an individual apply graffiti to a utility box near Main St. Officers contacted the involved subjects who agreed to clean the graffiti markings rather than be arrested for criminal mischief.

A group of male subjects appeared to be camping under a bridge near Hwy. 99. It has been

an ongoing problem with trash being left in the area.

May 20

A suspicious subject was reported after an individual saw a male subject in jeans and no shoes seen crawling in the dirt on Main St. at 4:21 a.m.

After the door of a business on Main St. was accidentally left unlocked after closing, an individual appeared to be going in and out of the business.

A suspicious condition was reported after a neighbor noticed sleeping bags, food and other items in the bushes of a vacant house on Clark Ave.

Multiple golfers reported complaints of drone activity from a group of teenagers was distracting them from their game at Hidden Valley Golf Course.

NEWS FROM AROUND THE STATE

- The teenage boy who started the fire in the Columbia River Gorge last summer has been ordered to pay damages in the amount of \$36 million. The teen, unnamed due to his age, threw a firecracker from a hiking trail, igniting a wildfire that burned for more than two months and torched more than 48,000 acres. The boy pled guilty to eight counts of reckless burning and two counts of depositing burning material on forest land. He also pled guilty to criminal mischief and was ordered to complete nearly 2,000 hours of community service and serve five years of probation.
- 21-year-old Dylan Baker Pieters was found dead at Lake Shasta last weekend. His body was found in his tent and officials said it was unclear if alcohol played a part in his death. The University of Oregon drew criticism for a statement it released about the incident in which it cited students' "history of demonstrating poor life choices during visits to Shasta Lake."
- A wrong-way driver on Interstate-5 killed three teenagers on Sunday, May 20. The girls, who were traveling near

Yoncalla's Eagle Point High School were set to graduate in June.

- The CDC reported earlier this week that Oregon is one of the three new states to report a case of E. coli linked to the outbreak caused by lettuce around the nation.
- A 4.6-magnitude earthquake struck 100 miles east of Bandon on Sunday morning. It's the fourth earthquake to be recorded for Oregon since April 20.

Marjory Coiner Wolf • 1930-2018

Marjory Coiner Wolf, age 88, passed away on April 6, 2018 in Tacoma, Washington. She was the daughter of Lester and Mildred Coiner and grew up in Cottage Grove, Oregon. Marge was predeceased by her parents, her 3 siblings and her husband, Bob. She relocated to Olympia, Washington in 1996 and enjoyed spending time at the Olympia Senior Center and enjoyed the center's walking club and choir. She relocated to Gig Harbor, Washington, in 2016.

Marge is survived by her 2 children and their families:

Daughter, Jana Heyd, and husband Don Whitfield; grandson Adam Heyd and his wife Diana and children, Lucas and Emi, and step-grandson Matt Whitfield, his wife Sara, and their 3 children, Carter, Kate and Myla and: Son, Bob Wolf, and his wife, Marla and their daughter, Rose, who reside in Boise, Idaho.

Marge enjoyed her church community, her exercise programs, spending time with her family and friends, drawing, playing the piano, and studying languages.

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Gerald Matthew Pitcher • 1949-2018

Gerald Matthew Pitcher "Pitch" beloved husband, dad, grandpa, uncle and brother passed away at his home on April 4, 2018. He was born July 1, 1949 in Eugene, OR, the second child of John W. Pitcher and Vita Matthews Pitcher Black.

He spent his young life playing on the banks of rivers and in the woods of Fall Creek, Detroit, Idanha and Cottage Grove, Oregon. He attended school in Cottage Grove OR and graduated from Cottage Grove High School in 1967.

He enlisted in the U.S. Army in 1968 and served in Vietnam from 1969 to 1970. After the Army he moved to Thorne Bay, Alaska and found his piece of heaven. He married Dayle M. Berger and they had three daughters, Cheri Dee, Kimery Marlys and Kristy Mae. He built a home on the shores of Thorne Bay and in his spare time he fished in his beloved Boston Whaler, hunted and trapped. He probably would have stayed there forever but his employer Louisiana Pacific/Ketchikan Pulp closed operations in Thorne Bay. He had worked for them for 28 years. He was known by all who knew him to be "one hell of a logger and shovel operator"-the shovel was his second home.



He later met Kathryn and they married and moved to Fairbanks, Alaska. He worked for Kinross Gold/Fairbanks Gold Mining Inc. for 13 years retiring in 2014. Gerald "Pitch" also had several mining claims in "Central" and he loved going there with family and friends. He even found gold but probably would have been just as happy to just dig with his excavator.

He always wanted to hunt again in Oregon so he and Kathryn moved to Sumpter in 2014. Unfortunately, his health began to fail and recently they had moved to the Roseburg area to be close to the VA Hospital.

He is survived by his wife of 19 years Kathryn "Kat" Cooke Pitcher, his three daughters Cheri Dee Kell, Kimery Healey and Kristy Pitcher; five grandchildren; Ellissa, Nathaniel, Mikaela, Kassidee and Daylenn; one great grandchild Madelynn and another due August 2018 Trenton Matthew. He is also survived by his stepsons Blair Hansen and Sean Hansen and their children, Curtis Budetti, Max, Camilla, Selena, Gabriel and David Hansen; and his four sisters, Sheran Johnsrud (Richard), Pam Dodge (Charles), Judy Gerstenberger (Mike) and Kit Pitcher. His nieces Tinessa, Alisha, Hollie and Emmalee and nephew Brandon. He was very loved by his family.

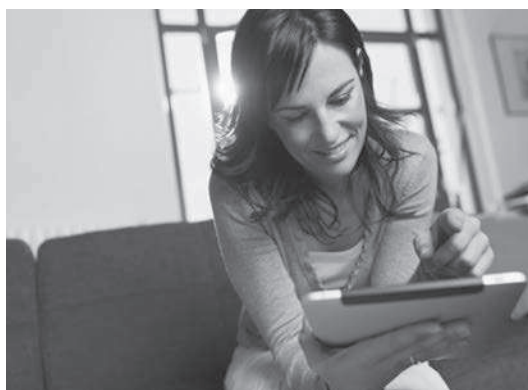
Gerald was preceded in death by his mom Vita Mae Matthews Pitcher Black, stepfather Jim Black, his dad John W. Pitcher and his nephew Bryan Charles Dodge.

Gerald, Pitch, Dad, Papa will live in our hearts forever and will be missed. It would make Gerald so happy if in his memory you spend time with your kids and grandkids, take a walk in the woods enjoying nature, breathing in the fresh air or throw a line in the water, as you remember him.



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