ODOT urges travelers to think 'safety' during holidays

extra careful on Oregon highways as holiday shopping and events increase.

Delays and congestion are a familiar part of holiday-season driving, as well as preparing for hazardous conditions — especially for anyone traveling over the Cascades or Coast Range.

Here are some travel tips for the holiday season:

- Even in the best road conditions, we are entering one of the busiest travel times of the year between now and New Year's Day. Expect delays, plan ahead, allow extra travel time and know before you go.
- Use caution if going over the mountain passes. Check the TripCheck.com cameras for conditions on your route. Many of the camera displays include

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Motorists should be temperature, elevation and other helpful details about conditions.

- Pay attention to the roadside variable message signs. They contain critical information about real-time conditions.
- Make sure you're ready in case you encounter wintry road conditions. That means carrying chains and knowing how to use them and packing supplies for you and your passengers in case of major delays, such as food, water, blankets, warm clothes and medica-
- Perhaps most important, make sure there's a sober, focused and alert operator behind the wheel to help you arrive safely to your family functions and to get you safely home af-Sandra June (Van Nortwick) Martindale

worked as a cook at Creswell Christian Child Care Center and Grove Christian Camp for



Sandra June (Van Nortwick) Martindale, 75, of Arlington, WA formerly of Cottage Grove passed away December 1, 2019.

Sandra was born July 15, 1944 in Eugene, OR to Frank and Arlyn (Eastburn) Van Nortwick.

Sandra graduated from Cottage Grove High School and attended Ozark Bible College and San Jose Bible College.

She married: James Allen Martindale on September 29, 1973 at the 6th & Gibbs Church of Christ in Cottage Grove, OR.

Sandra worked as a Church secretary & Christian Education director for Lighthouse Christian Church in Oceanside, CA. and a volunteer teacher with Evergreen Child Evangelism Fellowship. She also

many years and was a member of the 6th and Gibbs Church of

Sandra loved being with family and most of all her grandchildren. Her life showed her genuine faith in Jesus and her selfless service to others. And, if all that included her spending time at the Oregon Coast, it was all the better.

Sandra is survived by her daughters, Michelle Kiel (John) of Roscoe, South Dakota; Rachel Henderson (Shane) of Arlington, Washington; 10 grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

Sandra was preceded in death by her husband James Allen Martindale and brother, Terry Van Nortwick.

A memorial service will be held December 14, 2019 at 11:00am, at 6th & Gibbs Church of Christ in Cottage Grove with a private burial at Lane Memorial Gardens. Memorial contributions can be made to the Evergreen Child Evangelism Fellowship in Eugene, OR or Grove Christian Camp, in Dorena, OR.

On The Record

DEATH NOTICES

FLANDERS—Mark Flanders, 60 of Cottage Grove died Dec. 7, 2019. Arrangements

handled by Smith Lund Mills Funeral Chapel in Cottage Grove.

Myron Everett Yearous

1928-2019



Myron Everett Yearous was born on November 18, 1928 at home in Latham. His parents were Roscoe and Nora (Hull) Yearous. He is survived by his wife Mary of 67 years, 4 children, Delores Berg (Harald) Julie Pierry (Russ) David Yearous (Jane) Jim Yearous (Jennifer) 9 grandchildren ,6 great Grandchildren, and 2 great-great grandchildren. He lived his entire life in the Cottage Grove area, except for the last few winter's which he and Mary spent in their home in Niland, California.

Everett was a life-long logger and owned timber property in Lane and Douglas county. He was an avid gardener and raised a huge kitchen garden behind the house on Yearous Everett served in the Na-

tional Guard for 6 years, where he and his twin brother Gilbert were the best shots in their unit. They were taught to shoot by their father. Everett and Mary attend church at Calvary Chapel in Cottage Grove, and he happily joined a weekly men's breakfast group connected with the church. He was an avid Oregon football fan and looked forward to watching each game on television. (He would have been happy to learn that the Ducks are going to the Rose Bowl).

Funeral service and reception will be held on Monday, December 16th at 10 am at Smith Lund Mills Funeral Chapel, 123 S. 7th Street. Internment at Fir Grove Cemetery. In lieu of flowers please donate to Beds for freezing nights at www.freezingnights.

Ralph Elmer Potter 1950 - 2019



On Tuesday, November 26, 2019, Ralph Elmer Potter, husband, father, grandfather, brother, uncle and friend, passed away suddenly at the age of 69 years old.

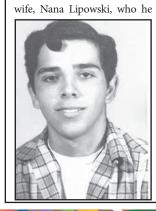
Ralph was born in Cottage Grove, Oregon, to Thomas C. and Joyce (Clark) Potter, on October 15, 1950. He graduated from Cottage Grove High School in June 1968. Ralph joined the Air Force in 1969 and served his country honorably until 1973. On September 22, 1969 he married the love of his life, Patricia (Trish) Ann Thompson, and together they raised two daughters, Chrisi Cantamessa and Angela Har-Ralph will be lovingly re-

membered by his wife, Trish Potter, children, Chrisi Cantamessa and Angela (Jason) Harris, and his adoring grandchildren, Trevor Cantamessa, Gavin Potter, and Vance and Shelby Harris. Ralph will also be fondly remembered by his sister-in-law, Dorothy Colman, brothers, Tom (Maryanne) Potter and Donnie (Kathy) Potter, numerous nephews, nieces, extended family and dear friends. Ralph was predeceased by his brother, Terry

A Celebration of Ralph's life will be held at 1:30pm, on Wednesday, December 18, 2019 at The Boulder Falls Inn, 505 Mullins Drive, Lebanon, Oregon 97355.

Michael Francis Plueard 1945-2019

Michael Francis Plueard died Dec. 3, 2019 from complications from cardiomyopathy and CHF. He put up a valiant fight for several years. Mike was born in Cottage Grove, Oregon to Lloyd and Evelynne (Sylvester) Plueard at McFarland Birthing Home, July 30th, 1945. He attended OLPH Catholic School. He was an altar boy for the church, then Cottage Grove High School. He would have graduated in 1964, but instead, enlisted in the Navy. He served from 1962-1966. He was proud of his Navy job as a member of the fire crew at the airport in Guam, Later at Naval Air Station, Lemoore, and then the Army National Guard. He then worked 35 years at Weyerhaeuser, where he met his married in 1984. Mike loved hunting, fishing, Indian flute making, going to Oregon Duck football games for many years. He also loved traveling, casinos, the beach, Sunriver, and his Indian heritage. Most of the time spending it with his wife, Nana, and dogs Rusty, and now Jake. He was loved by many, and a friend to all that knew him. He is survived by his beloved wife, Nana, children, Cindy, Rob (Kristin). Brothers Leon (Alicia), and Mark (Peggy). 7 grandchildren, and 20 great grandchildren. Memorial will be Dec. 15 at 1:00 pm at the 7th Day Adventist Church on 10th street in Cottage Grove. A potluck to follow. Please bring a favorite dish. In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Greenhill Humane Society.





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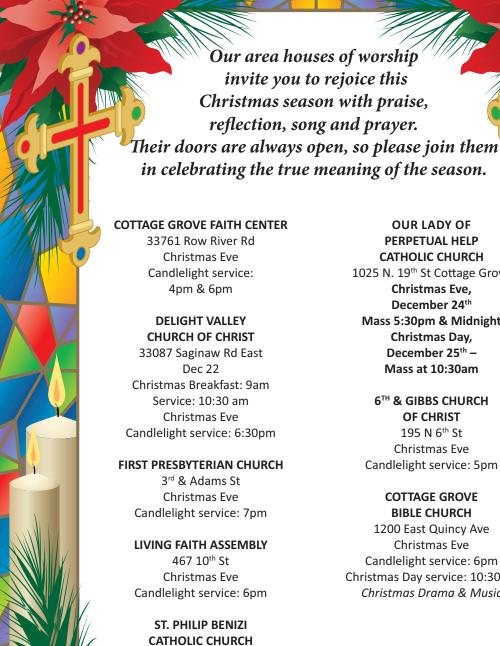




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