

OBITUARIES

Kim Briggs Westlund

Aug. 27, 1952 – April 17, 2015
Kim Briggs Westlund, 62, of Houston, formerly of Monmouth, died April 17 after enduring a tough battle associated with a rare form of cancer.

She was born to Harold and Deloris Briggs in Monmouth.



Kim attended Central High School and graduated in 1970, and went on to attend Oregon College of Education. Kim's early years were spent on the family farm with her siblings, farm animals and cats and dogs.

Kim married Samuel Dean Waters in 1974. He died in 1988. Her marriage to him left her with a family, and an amazing knowledge of love.

In September 1985, Kim moved to Texas seeking a new outlook on life and went to work at the Houston Northwest Medical Center. There she met several friends and established her work career.

In 2001, Kim married William Westlund, the love of her life, a man truly devoted to her, and who relentlessly stood beside her during her illness. Kim and Bill remained in Texas and visited family in Oregon and Minnesota throughout the years. She always made it a point to attend the annual Briggs family reunion.

Kim loved gardening, religion, genealogy, grandchildren and arguments.

She was preceded in death by her father, Harold.

Survivors include her husband, Bill; mother and stepfather, Deloris and Emmett; children, Misty Dawn, Samuel Slade, twins Jason and Joshua; stepdaughter, Jolyn Waters Shollenburg and with her marriage to

Bill, it extended her family to include, Billy, Steven, Jack and Michelle; siblings, Bette Procknow, Jan Oar, Carol Eddy, Darrel Volesky, Dawn Monagon and Debbie Ribble; and numerous grandchildren.

Celebration of life is planned to take place in August, close in time to the family reunion.

Details of the celebration of life will be announced through Farnstrom Mortuary in Independence. To send an online condolence: www.FarnstromMortuary.com.

Integrity Funeral Care of Houston handled arrangements.

Ashley Lawrence

June 3, 1961 – May 8, 2015
Ashley Lawrence, 53, of Dallas died May 8 in Salem.

She was born in Newport Beach, Calif., to Thomas Callahan and Rita Corbett.

Ashley attended high school in California and later worked in publishing, graphic design, and real estate in new sales.

She moved to Battleground, Wash., where she also worked in real estate. She moved to Dallas in October 2013.

Ashley loved the outdoors, flowers, animals, and wearing baseball hats.

Survivors include her son, Sean McIntyre and sister, Denise Rothwell.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To send an online condolence: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

Charles Howard Wilson

Sept. 29, 1925 – April 28, 2015
Charles Howard Wilson, 89, of Monmouth died April 28.

He was born in Ellensburg, Wash., to Charles and Bertha Wilson.

Howard completed high school and attended college in Pendleton. While in high

school he enlisted in the Navy during World War II and saw combat action in the South Pacific on a destroyer escort.

Howard married Phyllis Ettles in Ellensburg, Wash., on June 20, 1948. They lived in Washington, Oregon and Alaska. Over a 50 year-career his experiences included farming, equipment operator, airport manager, construction superintendent, airplane mechanic, flight instructor, fire chief, building inspector, and city manager and mayor of Manzanita.



Upon retirement Howard and Phyllis moved to Monmouth.

Howard was known for his generosity, volunteerism and work ethic.

He became active with the Monmouth Senior Center and First Christian Church. One of his favorite activities was participating in the Wii bowling tournaments at the senior center. He was passionate about flying.

He built and flew various single engine aircrafts and shared his enthusiasm through flight instruction. Howard was skilled in mechanics and could fix just about any mechanical device. Howard also enjoyed deer hunting and being outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Phyllis in 2008.

Survivors include his son, Gary (Charlotte) Wilson; daughter, Cyndie Greiner; five grandchildren; Michelle Greiner; and three great-grandchildren.

Memorial celebration is June 1 at 11 a.m. at Monmouth Christian Church.

Contributions are suggested to Willamette Valley Hospice.

Farnstrom Mortuary handled arrangements. To send an online condolence: www.FarnstromMortuary.com.

Robert 'Bob' Leroy Phillips

Feb. 7, 1942 – May 6, 2015
Robert "Bob" Leroy Phillips Jr., 73, of Independence died May 6 following a courageous battle against cancer.



He was born to Robert Sr. and Rhoda Phillips in Watertown, S.D. in 1942.

Bob graduated from North Salem High School in 1960. He then served his country in the Army Reserves and continued to work for Central School District for 22 years.

He later married the love of his life, Clara Case on Aug. 7, 1970.

Bob enjoyed his fishing, camping trips, the sports he played and spending time with his grandchildren. Bob

had a big heart for the Independence community, helping kids during his service with Central School District and always reaching out to help whoever he could. His biggest joy was making memories with his family.

Survivors include his wife, Clara Phillips; sister, Connie Mae; children, Julie DenBeste, Laura (Chad) Freeborn, and Casey (Carrie) Phillips; and five grandchildren.

Farnstrom Mortuary in Independence handled arrangements. To send an online condolence: www.FarnstromMortuary.com.

Barry Lafayett Roberts

Feb. 8, 1955 – May 14, 2015
Barry Lafayett Roberts, 60, of Monmouth died Thursday after four years of wins and losses with colon cancer.

He was born in Burlingame, Calif., to Herbert and Rhonda Roberts.

He grew up in Falls City on Sample Road for most of his life. He spent his youth working alongside his father at the family farm and family roofing business.

Barry was a 4-H member and showed Milking Short-horn cattle in the 4-H program.

Fast cars began as a hobby for Barry and his father, but soon grew into a passion that would last his lifetime.

He achieved Journeyman status, and continued building his career as "The Door-man."

For the past 40 years, Barry prided himself on his unparalleled work ethic for the sake of his customers.

The only things that could pry Barry from his work were his family and friends, going on camping trips, motorcycle rallies, farming and his passion for drag racing. The only object of affection outside of Barry's wife, kids and his granddaughter Ophelia, was his '62 Nova.

In 2012, Barry won his long sought after award in drag racing, the Wally Parks trophy, a coveted award and accomplishment he had worked toward for 40 years.

He was a force to be dealt with on the track while maintaining grace and sportsmanship off the track. Barry was a man of quiet character with comedic tendencies.

All who knew him were blessed with valuable life lessons.

He was preceded in death by his brother, Dennis.

Survivors include his wife of 30 years, Laurie; daughters, Jessica (partner Brandon) and Jacquelyn; son, Jake; and one granddaughter.

Celebration of his life and service with a hot rod/motorcycle cruise-in was Sunday at the Polk County Fairgrounds & Event Center.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To send an online condolence: www.dallastrIBUTE.com.

John Whad Haney

May 2, 1950 – May 12, 2015
John Whad Haney, 65, of Independence died May 12. Whad is what his loved ones and friends called him.

He was born in Ontario to Alvin and Melba Haney.

John was raised in Nysa and right after high school joined the Air Force. He served from 1968 to 1972.

He drove for Horizon Transport, delivering motor homes across the United States and Canada for 12 years. John covered more than 871,000 miles without an accident, a great accomplishment.

John lived for family reunions that took place every summer. His favorite spot was always at beautiful Wallowa Lake. Whad also loved to fish and being outside on the river. His big smile was one his greatest and most memorable traits. John was the teddy bear of the family, and always gave the best, never-ending hugs. Not a single minute would go by that he wouldn't crack a joke just to hear everyone's laughter.

John married Louinda Timmons and they had four children, Allen (Lori) Haney, Kimberly (Charles) Andre, Wendy (Jerry) Haney and Matthew Haney. He later divorced and married Darline Hunter which included stepchildren, Louie (Sheri) Hunter and Dawn Hunter.

John came from a big family that included his brothers, Claire (Marlene) Haney, Steve (Kate) Haney, Mark (Cindy) Haney, and Russell (Robin) Haney; sisters, Gail (Jubal) Miller and Vicki (Ron) Hess; eight grandchildren; and large extended family. He was preceded in death by his sister, Carol and her husband, Samuel Fluestch.

Private service will be at Willamette National Cemetery. Farnstrom Mortuary in Independence handled arrangements. To send an online condolence: www.FarnstromMortuary.com.

Melvin 'Mel' Wesley Harms

July 4, 1926 – May 16, 2015
Mel Harms, 88, of Dallas died Saturday in Salem.

He was born in Fairbury, Neb., on the family farm to Peter and Anna Harms.

At a very young age, Mel went to work for various farmers in the Paxton, Neb., area and finished school around the sixth grade.

Mel accepted Jesus as his Savior and was baptized Sept. 29, 1940.

While attending the Paxton Mennonite Brethren Church, Mel met the love of his life, Anne Buller, and after a year of courtship they were married.

A few months after their wedding they decided to

serve their country through alternative service with the Mennonite Central Committee. They worked as a nurse and aide in several mental health hospitals in Virginia and Ohio for two years. They returned to Paxton to farm and then moved to Madrid, Neb., where Mel was employed by the John Deere Co.

In 1953, they moved to Dallas, their home for the remainder of their lives. In 1960, Anne and Mel created a company together called Orchard View Landscaping, which became well known in the Willamette Valley. Mel took great pride in growing and planting lawns, trees and shrubs, for area homes and businesses. Mel and Anne worked hard together in this business until their retirement.

Mel and Anne were involved in the Salem Heights Baptist Church, ministering with the youth group and also a Sunday school class for adults. Other churches that they helped were Christian Missionary Alliance Churches in Dallas and Salem, and Faith Evangelical Free Church in Dallas. They were members of First Baptist Church in Salem, and Mel later attended Grace Baptist Church in Dallas.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Anne; siblings Herb Harms, Lee Harms, Irene Harms Sperling, Merlin Harms and Eldon Harms.

Survivors include his son, Lindsey Jay Harms of Salem; daughter, Laurie Harms of Dallas; and brothers, Dale Harms of Arkansas City, Kan., and Jerry Harms of Madrid, Neb.

Memorial service is Wednesday (today) at Grace Baptist Church at 2 p.m.

Contributions are suggested to Union Gospel in Salem. Virgil T. Golden Funeral Service in Salem handled arrangements.

Nicholas 'Nick' A. Stephens

June 30, 1980 – May 12, 2015
Nicholas "Nick" A. Stephens, 34, of Dallas died May 12 in Salem.

He was born in Dallas and attended Dallas schools. He later earned and received his GED.

Nick had worked for 15 years primarily as a glazier (window installer).

He enjoyed playing the guitar with friends, wood working, drawing and writing. He loved teasing and playing with his niece, Gracie.

Nick struggled during his short life and always showed a brave face when facing his challenges. Nick had a contagious smile that would lift you up when you were down.

Survivors include his mother, Christine "Tina" Lockwood and his brother, Nathan Stephens.

Celebration of his life and potluck is Saturday at 1 p.m. at 266 SW Ash St., in Dallas.

Contributions are suggested to research for depression.

Keizer Funeral Home handled arrangements.

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