

# OBITUARIES

## Millie (Wiedmann) Schrenk

April 29, 1914 – Jan. 9, 2017  
Millie (Wiedmann) Schrenk went to be with the Lord on Jan. 9, 2017. Millie was born in Venturia, North Dakota, on April 29, 1914, to John and Katharina (Haas) Wiedmann.



Millie attended elementary school in Venturia, high school in Ashley, N.D., and college in Ellendale, N.D., where she received a teaching certificate.

Upon graduation, she taught elementary grades in Venturia and Ashley.

On June 29, 1941, Millie married Ephraim Schrenk at the Venturia Baptist Church. They made their home in Ashley until 1945, when they moved to Venturia where they purchased a General Merchandise store.

Their sons Maurice and John joined the family during these years. In 1960, they moved to Dallas.

Millie enjoyed teaching, but also loved becoming a stay-at-home mom. She enjoyed cooking, baking and entertaining friends at her home.

When her children had grown, she went back to work at Dallas High School as a cook until she retired in 1976.

She was an active member of the churches wherever she lived and taught Sunday School most of her life. She always enjoyed children and young people.

She was a member of the ladies organizations and served as a Deaconess and Social Chairperson at Salt Creek Baptist Church.

She also did volunteer work for the senior centers' lunch programs in Dallas and Salem.

Millie was preceded in death by her husband Ephraim; her son Maurice; and sisters Idalia and Adeline.

She is survived by her son John and daughter-in-law Lois, of Salem; and two grandchildren, Aaron, of Tacoma, Wash., and Katie, of Manhattan Beach, Calif.

Millie felt that her children and grandchildren were such a blessing to her, and she prayed for them daily. "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth," 3 John 1:4. Millie's shining example of God's love in her life and her deep love of her family will be missed greatly.

A memorial service will be held at Salt Creek Baptist

Church in Dallas on Thursday, Jan. 19, at 2 p.m.

Arrangements are being made by Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center. Memorial gifts may be given in her name to Salt Creek Baptist Church or the charity of your choice.

To share an online condolence, go to: [www.dallastrIBUTE.com](http://www.dallastrIBUTE.com).

## James E. Loewen

Jan. 13, 1945 – Dec. 29, 2016  
James Ernest Loewen died at his home outside of Sublimity on Dec. 29, 2016, following a prolonged illness. He was born to Ernest and Clara Voth Loewen on Jan. 13, 1945, at Bartell Hospital in Dallas.

He grew up in the Salt Creek Community on a small farm and was a member of the Salt Creek Baptist Church.

He attended Orchard Grade School and then Dallas Junior High and Dallas High School, graduating in 1963. He was active in FFA and was a State Farmer. He was co-editor of the school newspaper.

He graduated from Oregon College of Education. After graduation, Jim worked at the Oregon State Hospital in the maximum-security unit and then at University of Oregon Medical School as a research assistant.

He then returned to the state hospital, where he worked in the Adolescent Secure Treatment Program. He finished his career as a mental health counselor at MacLaren School, retiring in 1998.

He was a board member and vice president of the Oregon Public Employees Union. He served two terms on the PERS Board.

Jim was a lifelong student of history and understood politics inside and outside of Oregon.

He supported many causes promoting justice and kindness, and opposed practices hurtful to people and the environment.

He was a lifelong Democrat. He was a smart man. He loved his family and friends, his dogs and his cats, and a cow named Julie.

He is survived by his wife Niki (Mosher), of Sublimity; son Matthew (and Caitlin), of Corvallis; granddaughter, Lily; his brother David (and Sandy), of Salt Creek; and nieces and nephew Jessica, Allison and Michael.

His home church over the last several years was Stayton United Methodist Church. A memorial service will be held there on Jan. 21 at 2 p.m.

In lieu of flowers, dona-

tions can be made to the Marion-Polk Food Share (or your local food bank) or to UNICEF.

## Jeremiah (Jerry) Francis Cotter

Nov. 6, 1924 – Jan. 10, 2017  
Jerry Cotter, a kind gentleman of the "Greatest Generation," passed away peacefully at home and left for Heaven, Tuesday, Jan. 10, 2017. Jerry was born Nov. 6, 1924 in Seattle to Helen and Jerry Cotter. He grew up in Burley, Idaho, and Lakeview.

With the outbreak of World War 2, he enlisted in the Navy serving aboard the aircraft carrier USS Makin Island as navigator and helmsman.



He returned back to the states and attended Oregon State University. While attending college, he married his high school sweetheart, Evva Hickman.

During his college years, Jerry worked at the Corvallis JC Penney store, following in his father's footsteps. Upon graduating from Oregon State, Jerry joined the company, being promoted and transferred to many different JC Penney locations.

He eventually settled in Dallas, where he spent the last 55 years.

During his JC Penney career, he also served as the first president of the reorganized Dallas Chamber of Commerce and belonged to the local Rotary club. He was an active longtime member of St. Philips Catholic Church.

Jerry and Evva lovingly raised two children, Jerry Cotter and Patty Cotter (Delph)

In 2005, his beloved wife of 59 years passed away, leaving Jerry a widower. In 2006, he met Helene Holtzinger through church activities and the two were married in June 2006.

They made their home in Dallas and had 11 wonderful years together, and were active up until Jerry's passing.

Surviving members of the family include his wife Helene Cotter; children Jerry Cotter Jr., Patty Delph and their spouses Laurie Cotter and Rick Delph; sisters Joanne Stathos and Jeanette Chaffee; stepdaughters Judith Holtzinger, Marianne Holtzinger, Marlene Mooney, Carolyn Hochenadel, Ann Blyth, Kathy Crowle; stepsons Bill Holtzinger and Michael Holtzinger; numerous grandchildren and two great-grandchildren, who he had just recently met.

A recitation of the rosary was at 10:30 a.m. followed by an 11 a.m. Mass of a Christian Burial Monday, Jan. 16, at St. Philips Catholic Church in Dallas. Interment was Tuesday, Jan. 17, at 9:30 a.m. at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. The Dallas Mortuary Tribute is caring for the family.

To leave a memory of message for the family please go to [www.dallastrIBUTE.com](http://www.dallastrIBUTE.com).

## Louise Leialoha Naone-Uselman

Jan. 13, 1949 – Jan. 8, 2017  
Louise Leialoha Naone-Uselman was taken to heaven Jan. 8, 2017. Louise was a resident of Dallas, but was born in Honolulu, Hawaii, on Jan. 13, 1949.

She had a love for life, her family and helping others. Louise was a graduate of Gros Bonet Culinary College in Honolulu as a French classical chef, and finished first in her class. She also had a Bachelor of Arts in business.

She worked at West Valley Hospital in the kitchen. She was an excellent cook and baker — just ask anyone who ever had her biscuits and gravy or double chocolate chip cookies.

Louise always had a smile for everyone and everyone loved her smile.

She is survived by her husband Carey Uselman; her daughter Christie (John); her sons Travis, Robert, Edward and Nathan; 10 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. You will be missed dearly!

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center is caring for the family. To share an online condolence, go to: [www.dallastrIBUTE.com](http://www.dallastrIBUTE.com)

## David Michael Schrock

Aug. 22, 1975 – Jan. 9, 2017  
David was a loving husband and father, proud of his family, with a contagious smile and gentle soul.



Everyone he met knew he loved God, his wife, and his sons above all else. He was a strong warrior in the Lord's army; full of God's love for all who crossed his path. David was a proud lineman for more than 20 years, serving primarily the Pacific Northwest, and occasionally the nation, in times of need.

He brought hope to many in literally dark times, with the arrival of his crew during power outages. David lived a full, well-lived life, and his family is so proud of him.

He went to meet his Lord Jan. 9, 2017, doing what he loved and serving others in

need — being a lineman.

He will be loved and remembered by his devoted wife, Holly; sons Wyatt (age 15) and Levi (age 12); parents Leslie and Robert Cummings and Duane and Susan Schrock; siblings JonnaVe Stokes, Tamera Klooster, Sara Schrock, Hannah Schrock, Garrett Schrock, Natalie Collins-Moon, Gregory Cummings, and Leigh Ritter; as well as many grandparents, nieces, and nephews.

A celebration of life will be held at Waldport Foursquare Church (180 Huckleberry St., Waldport) on Jan. 16 at 1 p.m. A GoFundMe account has been established in his memory.

## Howard (Delbert) Rundle

Aug. 27, 1931 – Jan. 9, 2017  
Delbert passed away in the Salem Hospital from pneumonia.



His home was the Dallas Retirement Village for three years. He moved to Dallas from Kansas City, Mo., in 1962, and met and married Dorothy Ray on April 16,

1964. He then began working for Dallas Co-op. His work at the co-op ended 35 years later.

Delbert was kind to others, a hard-worker, a man of few words, and a believer of Christ Jesus.

He is survived by two stepdaughters, five grandchildren and one sister.

Preceded by wife, Dorothy Rundle and one stepson, Elmer Ray.

Memorial services will be at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland at 2 p.m. on Jan. 23.

## Louise A. Mundell

Oct. 19, 1929 – Jan. 8, 2017  
Louise A. Mundell, a resident of Dallas, died on Sunday, Jan. 8, in Salem Hospital. She was born on Oct. 19, 1929, in Coos Bay, the daughter of Herbert and Irene Meyers Mundell.

Louise graduated from Empire High School near Coos Bay.

She attended college in California studying keyboarding for accounting. Louise later worked as a waitress at the Hickory Pit Restaurant in San Leandro, Calif., for 20 years. She loved her job waiting tables and making friends along the way.

Louise moved to Dallas 25 years ago to be closer to her family.

She was active in the Dallas Senior Center and enjoyed playing six-hand pinochle there and attending potlucks. She liked teaching children how to sew. She was an accomplished painter and enjoyed crafts. She made beautiful sand dollar Christmas tree

ornaments.

She is survived by her daughters, Lezlie (Americo) Coppola and Sandra Seitz; sisters, Myrtle Padgett and Ann Freeman; along with four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Scott Alan Seitz; sister, Helen Wassum; and brother, Herbert Mundell.

Memorial service will be on Thursday, Jan. 19, at 11 a.m. at Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center. Memorials may be made to the Dallas Senior Center building fund in care of Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center, who is caring for the family.

## David Theodore LaVoie

June 17, 1972 – Jan. 8, 2017  
David Theodore LaVoie, 44, died at his home Sunday, Jan. 8.

Survivors include Connie Lukawitz; son, Deven LaVoie; mother, Billy LaVoie; uncle, Donald (Brenda) LaVoie; aunts, Patricia (Rick) Hurt, Darlene (Jeff) Strand, Merrilou (Steve) Gilmore, and Sharon LaVoie; uncle Joe (Diana) LaVoie; and many cousins. David was preceded in death by his father, Theodore (Ted) LaVoie.

Private family services have been held. The Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements. To leave an online tribute: [www.dallastrIBUTE.com](http://www.dallastrIBUTE.com).

## Vivian Marie Chapman

Nov. 14, 1923 – Jan. 12, 2017  
Vivian Marie Chapman, 93, died Jan. 12.

Memorial service 1 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21 at South Salem Church of Christ, 310 Ewald St. SE, Salem.

Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

## Helen D. Geske

Dec. 29, 1918 – Jan. 12, 2017  
Helen D. Geske, 98, of Dallas, died Jan. 12 in Blue Haven Residential Care.

She is survived by her sons, Larry W. Sundberg and David J. Sundberg; sisters, Gladys Splitstosser and Mildred Wilde; along with numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Private burial will be in the Dallas Cemetery. The Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

To leave an online tribute: [www.dallastrIBUTE.com](http://www.dallastrIBUTE.com).

## Robert J. Young

April 16, 1980 – Jan. 15, 2017  
Robert J. Young, 36, of Falls City, died Jan. 15. A memorial service will be at 3 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 21, at the Mountain Gospel Church in Falls City.

A reception will follow at the Falls City Fire Hall. Dallas Mortuary Tribute Center handled arrangements.

## Obituary Information

Obituary information must be submitted by 4 p.m. on the Monday before publication to be included in the newspaper.

Obituaries cost \$8 per 25 words and include a photo and flag (for veterans).

Death notices are run free of charge. Obituaries must be prepaid when placed by a private party.

Color and black-and-white photos can be submitted, but photos will only be published in black and white.

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For more information: Emily Mentzer, [ionews@polkio.com](mailto:ionews@polkio.com), or 503-623-2373 ext. 117.

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