

## OBITUARIES

### Joseph L. Bowman Nov. 4, 1931 - Sept. 29, 2018

Joseph L. Bowman was born Nov. 4, 1931, to Harry and Ida Bowman in Tacoma, Washington.

The family moved to the Oliver Ranch between John Day and Prairie City when he was about 4 years old and later moved to the Laycock Ranch. Joe started school at the Bellshaw School between John Day and Mt. Vernon; he then moved to Mt. Vernon where he grew up.

In 1950, he married Lula Hickerson. They had one son, Robert, and later the marriage ended in a divorce. Joe was a partner in the "Grant County Cleaners and Laundry" with Carol Rose. On July 31, 1950, Joe entered the United States Navy and was honorably discharged with a Permanent Disability Retired Certificate in August of 1953. In 1961 he joined the American Legion and remained a member for 57



years at the Milwaukie American Legion Post 180.

In December 2007, Joe married Diane E. Nordhagen in Milwaukie, Oregon, and lived there the rest of his life.

Joe passed on Sept. 29 with his family present in their home.

He was preceded in death by his parents, four brothers, two sisters and a longtime friend and partner Marcella Eng.

He is survived by his wife, Diane; son, Robert (Annette); step-daughter, Debbie (George); three grandchildren; step-daughter, Oyln Capelle; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements are being held by Omega Funeral and Cremation Service. On Oct. 17, a viewing will be held from 9-11 a.m. at Omega Funeral and Cremation Service, 223 SE 122nd, Portland, Oregon (503-231-8030). Funeral services will be held at noon at Willamette National Cemetery, Portland, Oregon (503-273-5250). A memorial will be held at 1:30 p.m. at American Legion Post 180, 2146 SE Monroe, Milwaukie, Oregon (503-659-1300).

### Merrill McKern

Merrill McKern, 98, of Portland, formerly of Mt. Vernon, passed away Sept. 15 at Laurel Parc senior living center in Portland.

His remains will be placed in the columbarium at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 22 with military honors. Later memorials will be arranged for family and friends in Eugene, Florence and Mt. Vernon.

#### About Obituaries

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### Doreene Franson Livermore

Nov. 23 1934 - Oct. 1, 2018

Doreene "Dode" Livermore, of Deary, ID, died Monday, Oct. 1, at the Purity Adult Family Home in Pullman, WA; she was 83. Doreene Lee Livermore (née Franson) was born Nov. 23, 1934 in Bandon, Oregon to Daniel Brer and Hannah Nay Franson. She was the ninth of ten children, the youngest being her twin sister, Loreene Dee. Known as Dode to her friends, she was a 1953 graduate of Bandon High School. That same year, she met and married Ernest Livermore in Prairie City, Oregon, where they raised four children. Dode remained in the John Day area until 2001 when she retired from working at the Malheur National Forest to move closer



to family in Deary, Idaho. Dode was a strong, loyal and principled person who loved a good joke. She enjoyed cooking, canning, preserving (her pickles and tomatoes will be sorely missed), getting up early to enjoy her coffee, watching the birds out her window and spending time with her favorite dog, Bo. Always an athlete at heart, she enjoyed attending local high school sports and rooting for the Oregon Ducks and Washington State Cougars. Dode is preceded in death by her nine siblings and her husband, Ernie. She is survived by her children Barbara Peringer (Paul), Gary Livermore (Rhonda), Brenda Proctor (Denny), and Jim Livermore (Jones); ten grandchildren; and 16 great-grandchildren. Dode will be buried next to Ernie, her husband of 47 years, at a graveside service at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, Oct. 6, at the Avon Cemetery in Avon, Idaho. A reception and dinner will follow at the Deary Community Center. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to the Humane Society of the Palouse (<http://www.humanesocietyofthepalouse.org/>).

Arrangements have been entrusted to Short's Funeral Chapel, Moscow, and online condolences may be sent to [www.shortsfuneralchapel.net](http://www.shortsfuneralchapel.net).  
*Paid for by the family of Doreene Livermore.*

### Rod Miller



With the love and support of many family members, Rod Miller, 82, of Baker City, has found peace and serenity with the Lord. He passed away peacefully on Sept. 30 while living at Meadow Brook Place Assisted Living. As per his request, there will be no funeral service. Rod was born Nov. 1, 1935 to Roland and Martha Miller in Stevenson, WA. Rod attended the Cascade Locks, OR grade school and High School then attended Oregon State University, graduating in 1958 as a Range and Wildlife Biologist. Shortly after graduating from OSU Rod and Bernie wed in June 1958. From January 1959 to January 1961 Rod served in the US Army as a Chaplain's Assistant in Pittsburgh, PA. There, Rod and Bernie had their first child, Scot Miller. After his service to the military, Rod and Bernie moved to John Day where Rod began his career as a Range and Wildlife Biologist for the United States Forest Service. While in John Day, the family grew with the birth of Karen (Miller) Phillips '62, Kevin Miller '65 and Lori (Miller) Smith '68. The family of six then moved to Baker City in June 1971 where Rod continued his 33-year career with the Wallowa Whitman National Forest, retiring in 1989. Outside of his career with the Forest Service, Rod and Bernie spent much of their time advocating with other parents and families of children with special needs for programs and services of inclusion and support for children with disabilities. He and Bernie were very involved with, then ARC, and raising funds with "Hike Bike". It wasn't long after that, with the help of the community, children with special needs had a place within the Baker County school system to gain an education and skills which then became a much larger organization: "Step Forward". Rod also played a role with the Powder River Sportsman's Club, organizing for several years the well-known "Crab Feed". Rod was preceded in death by his son Kevin Miller; both parents and his older brother Gerald Miller. Rod is survived by his wife Bernie Miller of 60 years, as of June 7; son Scot; daughters Karen and Lori; Grandchildren, Erik, Ethan and Amy Miller, Sean Conley, Derek Phillips, and Travis, Tanner, Adam and Amanda Smith; 10 great grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. The family would like to extend their appreciation to Heart n' Home Hospice and to all of the staff for the wonderful care given to Rod while living at Meadow Brook. During this extremely difficult time of his passing, you all were so loving and kind. Thank you. For those who would like to make a memorial donation in honor of Rod the family suggests Step Forward in memory of his son, Kevin Miller through Tam's Pine Valley Funeral Home and Cremation Services, PO Box 543, Halfway, Oregon 97834. Online condolences may be shared at [www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com](http://www.tamispinevalleyfuneralhome.com)  
*Paid for by the family of Rob Miller*

### Charles C London, JR



Charles C. London Jr., died unexpectedly in Keizer, Oregon on Sept. 16, at the age of 76. Charles is survived by his wife of 47 years Susan; his daughters, Tricia (Ray), Simone, and Melissa (Jeremy); his grandchildren Cassie, Heather, Anne, Sebastian, Michelle, Elijah, Ashlie, Tyler and Avery; and his great grandchildren Theodore and Liana. He is preceded in death by his parents Charles and Celestine London, his brother Dennis London, his sister Sherry Pryor and his granddaughter Danielle Busby. Charles was born on Sept. 14, 1942, in Modesto, CA to Charles and Celestine London.

He graduated from Los Banos High School in 1960. Charles was drafted into the Army in 1964. During his term of service, he spent two and a half years as a combat medic in Vietnam. Before coming home, Charles received three purple hearts, a bronze star, and an air medal with 86 clusters. Charles married Susan on July 3, 1971, in Reno, NV. Charles and Susan moved to Oxnard, CA in 1972 where Charles returned to college and worked as an armed patrolman for a local security company. Later, Charles worked as a union shingler. In 1979, Charles and Susan moved to Prairie City in order to have a better life and area for their three daughters to grow up. After moving to Prairie City, Charles began working for the Grant County Sheriff's Office as a Deputy Sheriff in the jail. Charles retired in 2005 as a Correctional Corporal, from the Sheriff's Office with more than 20 years of service. Charles also worked as a reserve police officer for the Prairie City Police Department for more than 15 years. Charles spent approximately 3 years as a volunteer with the Grant County Ambulance Service and several years as a volunteer with SABRA (Society Against Battery Rape and Abuse). Charles and Susan moved to Keizer, OR in 2007 to be closer to their daughters and grandchildren. They were blessed with a magical marriage of 47 plus years. He was an amazing husband and father. His daughters remember him as being "perfect". He was quick to remind them on a regular basis of his perfect status. They also remember him as a kind, patient, loving father who would do anything for them. Charles raised his daughters to believe they could accomplish anything they set their minds to. He was incredibly proud of all of his daughters and who they have become. He was always there to listen, console, give an encouraging word, or to help set them straight if they were going the wrong direction. Charles was an avid reader, hunter, marksman and a member of BPOE (Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks) for more than 35 years. He was rarely seen without a coffee cup in his hand and was quick with a smile. An interment, with full military honors, is scheduled for 1:30 pm on Friday, Oct. 19, at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland. A casual reception at Ringo's Tavern (4170 River Rd N, Keizer, OR 97303) will take place on Saturday, Oct. 20 beginning at 4 p.m. All are welcome to attend and celebrate Charles' life. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to Make a Wish Foundation of Oregon or to a charity of your choice. Condolences can be sent to: <http://memorialwebsites.legacy.com/Charles-C-London-JR/homepage.aspx>. The family would like to thank the Keizer Fire Department and Salem Hospital for their efforts and care.  
*Paid for by the family of Charles London*

### BRIEFLY

#### Fire regs eased

Fire restrictions have been eased, but regulations remain in effect.

The Grant County Fire Protection District will allow burning in barrels and small piles between 6-10 a.m.

The Malheur National Forest has lifted all public use restrictions pertaining to chainsaw use, smoking and off-road travel on the entire forest. The forest is at Industrial Fire Precaution Level I and moderate fire danger. Seasonal campfire restrictions remain in place until Oct. 31.

Oregon Department of Forestry's Central Oregon District has terminated the regulated use closure, but fire season remains in effect, prohibiting all open burning, including barrels, on lands protected by the John Day Unit.

the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, for cases involving bighorn sheep, mountain goat, moose or wolves, the tipster will be awarded five preference points. For cases involving elk, deer, pronghorn, cougar or bear, the person will be awarded four preference points. All preference points must go to one hunt series (elk, buck deer, antlerless deer, antelope or spring bear).

Five preference points would allow a hunter to draw 76 percent of buck deer hunts, 69 percent of doe deer hunts, 83 percent of elk hunts and 24 percent of pronghorn hunts. Cash rewards range from \$100 to \$1,000.

Report wildlife violations via email to [TIP@state.or.us](mailto:TIP@state.or.us) or by calling \*OSP or 1-800-452-7888.

#### Park passes for fourth-graders

Free federal park passes are available for fourth-graders.

Fourth-graders can print out a paper voucher for free entry into all federal lands by visiting the Every Kid in a Park website at [everykidinapark.gov](http://everykidinapark.gov), according to a press release. Students and their families can also redeem their paper voucher for a plastic pass at any Forest Service office. The voucher and passes are valid for the entire school year, until Aug. 31, 2019.

Adults who engage fourth-graders through a youth-serving organization can print paper passes at [everykidinapark.gov/get-your-pass/educator](http://everykidinapark.gov/get-your-pass/educator).

#### Preference points for turning in poachers

Oregon hunters are getting a new incentive to turn in poachers.

A program, approved by the 2016 Oregon Legislature and put into effect this month, offers the option of big game preference points instead of cash for providing information that leads to an arrest or citation for poaching-related crimes.

The Turn in Poachers program is a collaboration between the Oregon Hunters Association and Oregon State Police, and until this season offered only cash rewards for such tips.

According to a release from

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### LAST WEEK'S TEMPS

JOHN DAY	H/I/LO
TUESDAY .....	73/55
WEDNESDAY .....	69/43
THURSDAY .....	57/40
FRIDAY .....	55/33
SATURDAY .....	50/42
SUNDAY .....	55/37
MONDAY .....	56/47

#### 24/7 FORECAST

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NOAA WEATHER RADIO FOR JOHN DAY

162.500 MHz

### WEATHER FORECAST FOR THE WEEK OF OCT. 10-16

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
Mostly cloudy	Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly sunny	Partly cloudy	Sunny
52	58	64	69	70	67	71
32	33	37	41	29	33	40