David Leeland Drury

Sept. 18, 1938 - Feb. 14, 2021

Reverend David Leeland Drury went peacefully to be with his Lord Jesus on Feb. 14, 2021, at 82 years of age. The service will be on Feb. 27, 2021, at 10:30 a.m. at Cornerstone Christian Fellowship, John Day.

David was born at home on Sept. 18, 1938, in Festus, Missouri. At 13, David was asked if he was a Christian, and answering, "No, sir", he was then asked, "Don't you think it's about time?" and promptly answering "Yes, sir, I do," David became a Christian.

In Alaska, while an Army private, he met Mary Lou Crowley at Trinity Baptist Church, where they were married in June 1963. Later, in 1970, he graduated from

Clear Creek Baptist College, fulfilling a call to ministry.

He led many people to the Lord while pastoring churches in Arkansas, Washington and Oregon. Retirement from Calvary Baptist Church, Brewster, Washington, didn't last long as he continued to serve at both Cornerstone Fellowship and Mt. Vernon Presbyterian.

He was small of stature but huge of heart. Loved and treasured by many, he was generous, creative and constantly busy. His love for Jesus was legendary — there was no mistaking it. He loved hunting, woodworking, taxidermy, cars, shopping and believed he could fix anything broken. He created family locally because relatives were far away.

David is now in heaven, having heard the words "well done, my good and faithful servant" from his Lord.

David was predeceased by his parents, John Edward and Hermene, and two grandsons. He is survived by his wife, Mary Lou; his son Glen Drury and, wife Kimberly; his daughter Janice Dickens and husband, Artie; four grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to Cornerstone Christian Fellowship through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

About Obituaries

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OBITUARIES

Allan R. Olson

Sept. 7, 1935 — Feb. 3, 2021

Allan R. Olson, age 85, passed away on Feb. 3, 2021, at his residence in John Day, Oregon. A funeral service was held on Saturday, Feb. 20, at 1 p.m. at the Grant County Regional Airport. Interment at the Canyon City Cemetery to follow.

Al was born Sept. 7, 1935, in Twin Falls, Idaho, to Sidney and Beulah (Beeson) Olson. He attended Boise High School and Northwest Nazarene College. During this time, he also served in the United States Army as a private first class upon his

He then continued his education, obtaining his master's degree through the University of Idaho.

He was a music teacher for the Grant County School District No. 3 for 28 years up until his retirement. During his career, he had several accomplishments; He taught many generations of Grant County residents to play musical instruments, sing and appreciate music. He established the "Olson Music Studio," which later became "The Music Factory." He also founded and taught "Kids Bible."

He enjoyed playing the violin, recorder and would spend his time reading the Bible and other literature associated with the Bible. He was a member of The Brethren Church in Walla Walla, Washington, and had his pilot's license.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Sidney and Beulah Olson

Survivors include his sons, Tom Olson of John Day, Oregon, Buz (Karen) Olson of Seaside, Oregon, and Gary Olson of Yakima, Washington; granddaughters, Sabrina Olson and Dani Olson; grandsons, Ziek Olson and Ryan Olson; and one great-granddaughter, Salena Gonzales.

Memorial contributions in Al's honor may be made to the Humbolt Elementary Music Department through Driskill Memorial Chapel, 241 S. Canyon Blvd., John Day, OR 97845.

To leave an online condolence for the family, visit driskillmemorialchapel.com.

Elberta Jean Miller

Sept. 5, 1933 – Feb. 15, 2021

Elberta Jean (Craig) Miller died in Canyon City, Oregon, on Feb. 15, 2021, aged 87 years. She was born in Grand Junction, Colorado, on Sept. 5, 1933, to John and Erna (Lampshire) Craig.

Elberta will be cremated and her memorial will be announced later this year.

Elberta had many occupations during her lifetime. From ages 11-13 she was a bowling pin setter. From ages 13-15 she lied about her age so she could work in a convalescent home. She was a waitress, cook, baker, peach packer and crab shaker. Anything to support her family. While working at Georgia Pacific Lumber, she trained for every job on the mill floor so she could

be a utility worker (the first female to do this job at GPL), whose job it was to give all the other workers their breaks. Later in life she got her GED, became a licensed tax preparer and hotel night auditor.

She married Erie Miller on Nov. 8, 1968. She is survived by her husband, Sherry Craig-Miller (Dave), Dallas Ludahl (Scott), Dawn Lewis, Annette Keen, Larry Miller, Marcella Correia (Steve), Sandra Conner (Guy) and Kimberly Wall (Mike). Upon her death she had 26 grandchildren, 31 great-grandchildren, and three great-great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her son, Paul Miller; great-grandson, Christopher Hook; and her siblings, Eunice, Estella and Jim.

She was an expert markswoman who loved to fish, hunt, camp, sing, read, and do the New York Times crossword. She hated cooking and housework but was particular about both. Always up for an adventure, when she and Erie retired, they traveled across the country for a month in their touring van. The highlight of their trip was New York City, where they attended 'Phantom of the Opera" and "Les Miserable."

For more details about her life, visit driskillmemorialchapel.

Merkley to hold virtual town hall meeting March 3

Blue Mountain Eagle

Grant County residents will have a chance to ask U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley questions in a virtual town hall on March 3 at

Jessica Keys, Merkley's Eastern Ore-

gon field representative and natural resources liaison, said a town hall will be held using a technology platform called Webex, allowing people to join via video conference or by phone.

Those looking to call in can dial 415-527-5035. When prompted, enter the meeting identification number, 199 145 5626.

Those looking to join by video conference can go to senate.webex. com/senate/onstage/g.php?M-TID=ee0e45268536672699372bf338984e0ef.

The event password is tgKPrJyz932.





FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR I

Morrow County Public Works Projects - Morrow County, Oregon

Morrow County, Oregon, requests proposals for a qualified Fire Consultant to provide services for Morrow County Parks. Contractors submitting qualifications shall be considered based upon the following general evaluation criteria:

- 1. Fee schedule.
- 2. Experience.
- 3. Method of approach.

Copies of the Request for Qualifications may be obtained from Morrow County



Public Works, P.O. Box 428, 365 W Hwy 74, Lexington, Oregon 97839, (541) 989-9500, spointer@co.morrow.or.us

Complete proposals will be accepted at the same address no later than 4:00 p.m., March 4, 2021. Any questions or concerns may be addressed to Sandi Pointer.

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VEGETATION SPECIALIST



Grant Soil & Water Conservation District, based in John Day, OR is seeking to fill a Vegetation Specialist Position.

This position provides labor, technical and programmatic services to support the successful implementation of District Programs.

Qualified candidates require field and technical skills, have the ability to work independently and as part of a team as well as possess strong oral and written communication abilities.

Salary: \$35-\$45K DOE, plus benefits.

For a complete job description and application, please visit www.grantswcd.net or contact Kyle Sullivan 541-575-0135 ext. 111, sullivank@ortelco.net Application Deadline is 3:00 PM (PST) March 8th, 2021.

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Last Week's Temps

John Day	HI/LO
Tuesday	. 39/33
Wednesday	. 38/22
Thursday	. 38/20
Friday	43/30
Saturday	. 38/29
Sunday	37/28
Monday	. 52/32

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24/7 FORECAST

Weather Forecast for the week of Feb. 24 - March 2

Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
	£10%					
Sunny	Chance of snow	Snow likely	Partly sunny	Mostly sunny	Slight chance of snow	Mostly cloudy
40	44	38	38	46	45	52

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