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Obituaries

Elwayne E. Bergstrom

Elwayne E. Bergstrom, 69, a lifelong Heppner resident, died Friday, Jan. 23, 2004, at his Heppner home.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Jan. 30, 2004 at 1 p.m. at the Heppner Elks Lodge, with concluding service and burial to follow at the Heppner Masonic Cemetery.

He was born Aug. 29, 1934, at Heppner, to Carl and Mildred Hanna Bergstrom. He attended Heppner schools, graduating from Heppner High School in 1952. He then attended Oregon Technical Institute in Klamath Falls.

He had a 35-year career with Kinzua Mills.

He was a member of the Heppner Elks Lodge and the Hermiston Eagles Lodge, where he and his wife enjoyed dancing.

He was baptized and joined the Stanfield Seventh-day Adventist Church, where he was a deacon and assisted with the Primary Youth Group.

On Sept. 15, 2001, he married Carol Cross at Hermiston.

Bergstrom was a cancer survivor of over 20 years, which gave him a second chance at life.

It was said he had an electrifying smile and always greeted everyone with a wave, a smile and often a story.

Survivors include his wife, Carol Bergstrom of Hermiston; daughter, Christine Bruce and her husband Glenn

of Gresham, Cindi Stinson and her husband Dave of Woodinville, WA, and Kelli Meacham and her husband Kevin of Boise; son, Wayne Bergstrom and his wife Connie of Portland; brother, Robert Bergstrom of Heppner; 11 grandchildren; three stepchildren; and 11 step-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society, Oregon Division, 0330 SW Curry, Portland, OR 97201.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in charge of arrangements.

Shrine game

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become known as "The Greatest Little Game in the World." The 2003 game produced \$67,500 through the supports of advertisers, community sponsors, media coverage, family and friends. All of the energies that go into this event are donated. All of these donations will be directed to the service and care of the patients.

Births

Ivan Rodriguez-Sanchez- a son, Ivan, was born Jan. 20, 2004 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Erika and Samuel Rodriguez of Boardman.

Zuriel Santos Martinez- a son, Zuriel Santos, was born Jan. 21, 2004 at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston to Maria Elena Andrade and Javier Olguin Martinez of Boardman.

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Jolynn "Jobie" Love

Jolynn "Jobie" Love, 27, a lifelong Hermiston resident, died Sunday, Jan. 25, 2004, at Oregon Health and Science University Hospital in Portland.

A memorial service was held Jan. 30 at Irrigon Seventh-day Adventist Church. Disposition was by cremation. Private family inurnment will be at the Hermiston Cemetery.

Love was born June 7, 1976, at Hermiston, to Bonnie Belle Smith Love and Harold C. Love, Sr. She was raised in Hermiston and graduated from Hermiston High School in 1994.

She earned an associate's degree from Blue Mountain Community College and took a year of college through Washington State University.

She worked at Ye Olde Pizza Shoppe and at Big Lots in Hermiston.

She loved children and babysitting her nephews. She enjoyed reading, writing, watching movies and collecting stuffed animals.

Survivors include her mother, Bonnie Barton, and her husband Jim Barton of Irrigon; her father, Harold C. Love, Sr., of Hermiston; grandmothers, Nellie Smith of Hermiston and Berna Love of Stanfield; brothers, Harold Love, Jr. of Hermiston, Joseph Love of Walla Walla and John Buckner of Hermiston; sister, Jolene Martuscelli of Hermiston; adopted sister and special friend, Erica Matlack of Richland. She was preceded in death by sister, Jodean Buckner; and grandfathers, James Smith and Homer Love.

Memorial contributions may be made to an account in Jolynn Love's name at any Columbia River Bank branch.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements.

Vera Lou Rietmann

Vera Lou Rietmann, 60, of Ione, died Monday, Jan. 26, 2004, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston.

A memorial service was held Jan. 31 at Ione United Church of Christ.

She was born March 8, 1943, at Twin Bridges, MT, to Edward G. and Carrie M. Tayer Smith. The family moved to Oregon when she was 1. She grew up and attended school at The Dalles.

After graduating from The Dalles High School, she attended The Dalles Beauty College then worked as a beautician at The Dalles for a number of years.

On Oct. 28, 1972, she married Wayne E. Rietmann at The Dalles. The couple lived on the Rietmann family ranch near Ione.

Rietmann was a lifetime member of the Ione American Legion Auxiliary.

Survivors include her husband, Wayne E. Rietmann; sons, Ed Rietmann and Len Rietmann, all of Ione; and brother, Art Smith of The Dalles. She was preceded in death by her parents, three sisters and two brothers.

Memorial contributions may be made to a charity of choice.

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In 1969, he moved to Irrigon, where he went to work for the Corps of Engineers as a power plant

mechanic. He retired in 1982 although he continued to work for various farmers in the area driving tractor and welding. He enjoyed driving his state-of-the-art tractor with stereo and air conditioning.

He was a member of Hermiston Eagles Lodge 2909.

Maynard is described as a loving father, grandfather and friend.

He loved to hunt, fish and spend time with his family. It was said his family meant everything to him, that he would help anyone and that he was truly a man with a heart of gold.

Survivors include sons, Eugene Kenneth Maynard of Boise, E.J. Mark Maynard and E.L. Luke Maynard, both of Irrigon; daughters, Nova Joyce Passwater of Meridian, ID and Shirley Halliday of Yellville, AR; brother, Leonard Maynard in Oklahoma; sister, Dorothy Jennings of Mountain Home, AR; 13 grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Irene; by son, Rocky Maynard; and by life partner, Gladys Cox.

Memorial contributions may be made to Stokes Landing Senior Center in Irrigon through Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

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Karl Heg

Karl Heg, 66, of Irrigon, died Monday, Jan. 26, 2004, at his home.

A memorial gathering was held Jan. 31 at Stokes Landing Senior Center in Irrigon. Inurnment will be later.

He was born May 15, 1937, at Milwaukee, WI, to Ruth McLaughlin Heg and Henry Heg Jr. He grew up and attended schools at Umatilla, then joined the Navy.

On Oct. 8, 1958, he married Constance "Connie" Davis at Pendleton. They lived at Sumner, WA, for 20 years before moving to Irrigon 18 years ago.

Heg worked in construction as a drywall until health problems forced his retirement in 1995.

He enjoyed fishing, hunting and working on cars.

Survivors include his wife, Connie Heg of Irrigon; sons, William "Bill" DeMilly of Puyallup, WA, Karl "Tim" Heg and wife, Margaret of Sumner, WA, Corie Heg and wife, Aaron Hudspeth-Heg of Houston, AK, and Brian "Scott" Heg and wife, Jodi of Puyallup; 14 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents.

Memorial contributions may be made to University of Washington Cancer Research through Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Jimmie M. Connery

Jimmie M. Connery, 77, of Irrigon, died Wednesday, Jan. 28, 2004 at his home in Irrigon.

A graveside service was held Feb. 2 at City View Cemetery in Pasco.

He was born Oct. 31, 1926, in Salem to Maurice and Emma F. Selph Connery. He was raised and attended schools in Oregon and Washington.

He worked as a long haul truck driver for Mayflower Trucking for several years and nights at the Crossroads Restaurant and Truck Stop in Umatilla for the past 20 years.

He loved bowling, visiting with people and enjoyed roller dancing.

In 1953, Connery married Nancy Kinne in Pasco. They divorced in 1962.

He later married Dorothy Perkapile, who was killed in a 1974 car accident along with their son Jimmie Pat Connery.

He is survived by his sons, Michael J. Connery of Orlando, FL, Vincent W. Connery of Atascadero, CA and Jerry D. Connery of La Selva Beach, CA; daughter, Joanne Connery of Leesburge, WA; brothers, Rick Ballentine of Seattle and Donald Ballentine; eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy, son, Jimmy Pat Connery and his parents.

Contributions may be made in his memory to the American Heart Association, c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston at P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Darlene Emma Robbins

Darlene Emma Robbins, 71, died Jan. 26, 2004 in Baker City, after a lengthy illness.

Memorial services were held Feb. 2, at the Coles Funeral Home, with Rev. Ron Kratzer officiating. Inurnment will follow at Baker Cemetery at a later date.

Robbins was born Sept. 13, 1932, in Bentonville, AR to Austin and Grace Robbins. In 1936, she moved from Nebraska to Ontario, Oregon at the age of 4. She graduated from Ontario High School in 1950. She met her future husband while attending the Methodist Church Camp at Wallowa Lake. She married Llewellyn Leroy Robbins on Aug. 26, 1951 in Nyssa. They had many things in common including the same last name, though not related. They moved to Corvallis where Llewellyn attended Oregon State University majoring in Vocational Agriculture. Darlene worked as telephone operator in Ontario and Corvallis.

In 1954, they moved to Heppner where Llewellyn accepted his first teaching position. In 1961, they moved to Baker City where they purchased a farm on Pocahontas Road and Llewellyn continued to teach at the Baker High School. Darlene worked for and became the manager of Montgomery Wards until 1985 when they purchased the franchise. When Montgomery Wards closed all the franchise businesses, they opened Robbins Arrow and continued in the retail business until 1994 when they both officially retired.

After retirement, they went to the Ukraine as lay missionaries in 1998 with a group from the Church of the Nazarene to help restore an educational unit. They loved to travel and took many trips to various parts of the United States. They went on several cruises, one of which was a 50th wedding anniversary gift to the Panama Canal in 2001. They visited other islands along the way. Other interests included embroidery, cake decorating, playing pinochle with friends, camping, fishing, hunting, watching the birds feed out their front window, and supporting her grandchildren by attending various activities.

Survivors include her husband, Llewellyn Robbins; daughters and sons-in-law Ree Ella and Carsten von Borstel from Grass Valley, and De Ette and Vern Stofleth from Lakeview; son and daughter-in-law Denzil and Kathy Robbins from Baker City; son, Perry Robbins and Connie Whitney from Burns; grandchildren Bernadette, Seth, Lindsay and Noah von Borstel, Kristopher, Maranda, Brandon, Lauren and Kassie Robbins; Kelsey and Katie Stofleth, Brittany, Miranda and Bradley Robbins; great-grandchildren Breck von Borstel and Alivia Robbins; sister Ione Wells from Nampa, ID; brother and sister-in-law Brock and Ruth Robbins from Cambridge, ID; brothers-in-law and sisters-in-law from Nyssa, Norvelle and Betty Robbins and Merilean and Winona Robbins; special uncle Delbert Viken; numerous nieces, nephews, cousins and many close friends.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Austin and Grace Robbins; father and mother-in-law, Leicester "Les" and Inga Robbins; and brother-in-law, Elbert Wells.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pathway Hospice, Baker City Nazarene Church Work and Witness Program, or a charity of choice. This may be done through Coles Funeral Home, 1950 Place Street, Baker City, OR 97814.

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MORROW COUNTY GRAIN GROWERS MORROW COUNTY EXTENSION OFFICE WINTER GROWER MEETING

DATE: THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 12
LOCATION: WILLOWS GRANGE HALL, IONE
TIME: 7:30 A.M. to 12:00 P.M.

MEETING AGENDA

7:30 - 8:00	Coffee and Doughnuts
8:00 - 8:40	Stewart Wuest, ARS - Pendleton: <i>Germination and Seed Soil Contact.</i>
8:45 - 9:15	Larry Lutchter, OSU Extension: <i>Chemical Fallow and Herbicide Influence on Crop Response.</i>
9:20 - 10:00	Sandy Halstead, USEPA: <i>Recent Court Rulings on Streamside Buffers.</i>
10:00 - 10:20	BREAK
10:25 - 10:55	Ken Grieb, Immediate Past President, OWGL: <i>Industry Updates.</i>
11:00 - 11:45	Katy Coba, Director, Oregon Department of Agriculture: <i>Future Opportunities for Dryland Wheat Producers.</i>
11:45 - 12:00	Jim Swanson, Wheatland Insurance: <i>Program Updates.</i>
12:00 noon	LUNCH

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Ocie Kenneth Maynard

Ocie Kenneth Maynard, 75, of Irrigon, a retired power plant mechanic, died of electrocution at his home on Sunday, Jan. 25, 2004.

A gathering for family and friends was held Jan. 30 at his home in Irrigon. Inurnment will be later.

He was born April 8, 1928, at Mill, AR, to William R. and Cora Bell Graves Maynard. He was raised and attended schools in Arkansas.

He joined the Navy, serving overseas during World War II and returned to Arkansas where he married Irene Hensley. Mrs. Maynard died in 1960.

In 1969, he moved to Irrigon, where he went to work for the Corps of Engineers as a power plant

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Valentine's Dinner Special at John's Place Saturday, February 14th

John is preparing an Elegant Buffet with
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Baked Salmon, or Succulent Prime Rib
Includes Champagne Cocktails and Dessert!

John's Place
Buffet open from 6-9 p.m. 76-5017