

**Obituaries**

**Gene L. Allen**

Gene L. Allen, 75, Boardman, died Friday, April 2, 2004, in Boardman.

A funeral was held April 8 at the Boardman Community Church. Burial with military honors was at Boardman's Riverview Cemetery, with a reception following at the Port of Morrow Convention Center.

Allen was born Sept. 29, 1928, at Condon, to Arthur and Lena "Mabel" Gray Allen. He grew up and attended schools in Boardman. After graduating from high school in 1946, he joined the Navy, serving three tours in Korea during the Korean War. He was an underwater demolition expert (the unit is now known as the "Navy Seals.") Allen spent 11 years in active duty with the Navy before attending the University of Washington where he earned a bachelor of arts degree in Far East History and a juris doctor degree in Law. He worked at the Walla Walla Union Bulletin for a time before moving to Weston in 1966 and going to work at Lamb Weston.

On Nov. 25, 1973, he married Ava West-Harris in Walla Walla. In 1975, they returned to Boardman, where he was employed at Gourmet Foods.

Allen was a member of the Naval Reserves retiring with 24 years of total service, with the rank of E-7, Chief Petty Officer ETC.

In 1981, the Allens moved to Wenatchee, WA, where Allen was employed by Philippi Fruit until 1983. They lived at Enterprise for a short time and then returned to Boardman.

He served as City Manager of Boardman from 1990 until 1993 when he retired. He continued to help many people throughout Oregon and remained active in politics and political campaigns.

He enjoyed traveling with his family and in the past five years visited 20 states, drove to Alaska and Mexico and visited six foreign countries. Two weeks ago on his way to Mexico he was on the Colorado River riding a jet ski.

Allen enjoyed golfing, bowling (he was the bowling champion of the 13<sup>th</sup> Naval District), playing pool (he was

second at the 1961 National NCAA Competition in Illinois while on the University of Washington Billiard Team), and most of all he enjoyed spending time with his family (especially at family Christmas parties).

He was a past president of the Boardman Chamber of Commerce, a Port of Morrow Commissioner, Vice Chairman of the Morrow County Planning Commission, on the Statewide Energy Advisory Committee, a mayor of Boardman and a City Budget Chairman.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge.

Survivors include his wife, Ava Allen of Boardman; his mother, Mabel Allen of Boardman; sons, Stuart Allen of Portland and Scott Allen of Pasco; daughters, Stacie Palmer of Moses Lake, WA, Stephanie Washington of Helendale, CA, Cheryl Foidel of Irrigon and Lonnie McDowall of Rainier; grandchildren, Elizabeth, Caroline, Clayton, Nathanael, Joshua, Ryan, Todd, Matthew, Chad, Blake, Rome and Jason; and two great-grandchildren. Allen was preceded in death by his father, Arthur Allen and his brother, Clayton.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Riverside High School Scholarship Fund at any Bank of Eastern Oregon branch or to the Boardman Senior Center.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in charge of arrangements.

**John C. "Jay" Standerfer**

John C. "Jay" Standerfer, 76, a resident of Pendleton for the past 34 years, died Sunday, April 4, 2004, at Suttle Care and Retirement in Pendleton.

A funeral was held April 9 at Bishop Funeral Chapel in Pendleton.

He was born May 8, 1927, at McAlister, OK, to Benjamin Franklin and Erma Marie Pollan Standerfer.

He lived with his family at Kiowa and in the Jack Fork mountains of Oklahoma until 1942 when the family moved to Mitchell, OR.

He joined the Army when he was 18 and volunteered for the paratroopers, serving with the 11<sup>th</sup> Airborne Division. He

was stationed in Japan. After being discharged in 1947, he returned to Oregon where he spent most of his working career in the lumber industry. He worked at sawmills in Monument, Reeds Mill near Hardman, Waitsburg, Spokane and Prineville.

On July 5, 1964, he married Nona Graham Leathers at Reno, NV. They lived at Long Beach, WA, where they owned and operated a motel and trailer park until 1970 when they moved to Pendleton where they have lived for the past 34 years. He had been employed at Louisiana Pacific Mill in Pilot Rock and later worked for Doby's Hart Pest Control.

He enjoyed outdoor activities, gardening, the camaraderie of the hunting camp, family and friends and loved spoiling his grandchildren, nieces and nephews. Standerfer developed exceptional woodworking skills over the years.

Survivors include his wife, Nona, brother, Joe Ben, and sister Norma Treace Jackson, all of Pendleton; son, Dan Leathers of Dixie, WA; daughters, Cindy Flatt of Pendleton, Marci Buschke of Boardman and Jennifer Maarhuis of Prosser, WA, and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his parents, by sister, Peggy Davison, brother Tommy, and granddaughter, Steffanie Flatt.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Steffanie Flatt Memorial Scholarship Fund through Bishop Funeral Chapel, P.O. Box 325, Pendleton, OR 97801.

**Ellen Melissa "Doll" Campbell**

Ellen Melissa "Doll" Campbell, 93, a Heppner native, passed away March 27, 2004, at her daughter and granddaughters' home in Portland.

A memorial graveside service will be held on Monday, May 31 at 1 p.m.

Campbell was born Oct. 4, 1910, in Heppner, to Levi and Alma Morgan.

In 1940, Campbell married Robert F. Campbell. The couple had four children, three boys and one girl.

Campbell is survived by children, Jim and his wife, Rozanne of Vancouver, Sandra Campbell and Terry Campbell, both Portland;

granddaughters, Melissa Wood, Tarina Foster, Kimberly Campbell, Alyson Harbick and Mairi-Kate Campbell; grandson, Robert Campbell; and great-grandchildren, Chad, Kyle, Jace, Mitchell, Morgan and Racheal. She was preceded in death by her husband, Bob and a son, Dennis.

**Evlenna "Lennie" E. Vaughn**

Evlenna "Lennie" E. Vaughn, 79, of Elgin, formerly of Ione, died April 11, 2004.

A graveside service will be held Friday, April 16 at 1 p.m. at High View Cemetery in Ione.

Loveland Funeral Chapel, 1508 4<sup>th</sup> St., La Grande, OR 97850, is in charge of arrangements.

**Two deputies in stable condition after incident in Irrigon**

Morrow County Sheriff's Deputies Jeff Lambier and Brian Snyder were in stable condition on Tuesday, April 13, at Good Shepherd Medical Center in Hermiston after they were injured in an incident in Irrigon on Monday, April 12, according to Morrow County Sheriff's Office.

The deputies suffered injuries to their heads and hands inflicted upon them by Shane Hartung, 32, of Irrigon, with an edged weapon, according to a press release from Morrow County District Attorney David Allen.

The alleged suspect, Shane Hartung, 32, of Irrigon was shot and killed. An autopsy was performed Tuesday morning in Portland by the Oregon State Medical Examiner's Office. Preliminary results indicate Hartung was shot twice, once in the neck area and once in the sternum. It is not clear at this time which shot or combination of shots proved fatal. A full medical examiner's report is being completed. Results of toxicology tests are pending and have not yet been released.

It is not clear from which weapon the shots were fired. Ballistics tests will be completed by the Oregon State Police Crime Lab.

The incident began at 10:47 a.m., Monday, when the deputies responded to a domestic disturbance call. Oregon State Police is continuing their investigation into the timing and sequence of events at the scene.

Sheriff Verlin Denton, Under-sheriff Larry Sample and District Attorney David Allen were all unavailable for comment.

**MSU announces Achievement Award recipient**

Kiel Nairns, Heppner, has been offered an Achievement Award to attend Montana State University in Bozeman, MT.

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**Women's annual salad supper to be held April 19**

The annual Christian Women's Salad Supper will be held on Monday, April 19, from 6-8 p.m. at St. Patrick's Parish Hall in Heppner. All area women are invited to this free evening of fellowship, healthy food and inspiration. The meal is provided, but women are asked to bring their Bibles for the program.

Robanai Disque of Hope Lutheran Church will lead the interactive program after dinner, called "Be the Difference You Wish to See in the World." Working in small groups, women will investigate how they can be God's witnesses for generosity, joy, peace, love, justice, kindness, wisdom and faith in our often troubled world.

This year's supper is

hosted by the women of the Valby-Hope-All Saint's Lutheran and Episcopal parish. The program was designed by Lea Mathieu, a United Church of Christ minister who attends Valby.

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