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Obituaries

Roice R. Fulleton

Roice R. Fulleton, 101, of Heppner, died on Thursday, Dec. 6 at his home. A memorial gathering with military honors was held on Dec. 15 at the Heppner Elks Club.



Roice R. Fulleton

Roice Roland Fulleton was born on Dec. 3, 1917, to Edith (Roberts) and Frank Fulleton of McGrew, NE. Roice attended primary grades and high school in McGrew, but as with all farm families of the time, spent many hours of his youth training horses, caring for animals and cultivating crops. The Fulleton family raised sugar beets, corn, cattle and hogs until the impact of the Dust Bowl prompted their relocation to Oregon.

In 1936, at the age of 18 years, he enlisted in the U.S. Navy and served at several different naval air stations and on the U.S.S. Overton destroyer on neutrality patrol near Panama, and later on the U.S.S. Pennsylvania. While stationed at Long Beach, CA, he was introduced to and began courting his shipmate Woody's sister, Betty Jean Predmore. Roice and Betty married in Chadron, NE in 1941.

After the attack on Pearl Harbor and the U.S. entry into World War II, Roice re-enlisted in the Navy in 1942 as an aircraft mechanic and supervisor. He was assigned to the Pasco Air Station for one year and then was Seattle-based, serving at Attu, AK from 1943-45. During this time, Roice prepared and installed weapons on bombers and also repaired the damaged bombers upon their return. Roice recalled many details of his time spent on the Aleutian Islands during the war and had many, many stories of his over-seven years of military service prior to and during World War II.

After Roice was honorably discharged, he and Betty moved to Vale, OR near Roice's parents where he became a partner in an auto repair and Chevrolet

business. During this time, a daughter Diana was born in 1946, with Ruby following in 1950.

In 1952, Roice and Betty purchased the Chevrolet dealership and the family moved to Heppner. Their daughter Rebecca was born in 1953. With Roice selling cars and Betty managing the business accounting, Fulleton Chevrolet earned national sales awards that took them to the Bahamas and Singapore for recognition.

The Fulletons later purchased acreage in Shobe Canyon to farm, raise registered quarter horses and where roping continued into a life-long hobby. In 1956, Roice won the Morrow County rodeo amateur calfroping saddle. He spent countless hours roping with friends and taught many youth in the area to ride horses and rope cattle. In retirement, he continued to participate in team roping, competing in the western states and Canada. Later in life he traveled to Arizona during winter seasons to live and rope steers until he was over 80 years of age, winning a National Senior Pro Rodeo team roping award in 1988. Roice was a member of the Wranglers Riding Club, Fraternal Order of Eagles member and lifetime member of Heppner B.P.O.E. #358.

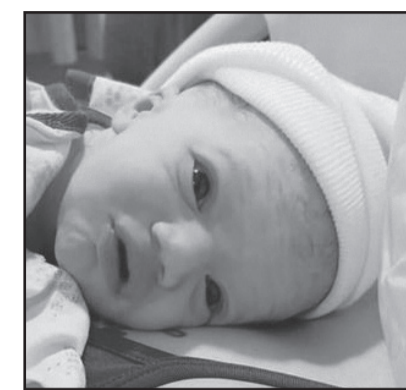
Roice was preceded in death by Betty Fulleton and his daughter Ruby Veatch. He is survived by daughters Diana Ball (Archie) and Rebecca Cannon (Dave) of Heppner, five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The family would like to request considering a remembrance to Willow Creek Terrace Assisted Living, 400 Frank Gilliam Drive, Heppner, OR 97836, which provided very compassionate and loving care to Roice.

The online condolence book is available at www.sweenymortuary.com.

Emma May Rickart – Kelsey Schippert and Michael Rickart, Redmond, OR, announce the birth of a daughter, Emma May Rickart. Emma was born Dec. 17 at 1:40 a.m., weighing 6 pounds and measuring 18 ¾ inches long. Maternal grandparents are Tammy Rystedt, Redmond, and Victor Schippert, Redmond. Paternal grandfather is Mitch Rickart of Redmond and a special great aunt, Kim Clifford, Redmond.

Maternal great-grandparents are Bobbi and Wayne Gordon, Lexington, and Pete and Louise Ulam, Redmond.



Emma May Rickart

Also on the maternal side, Emma is the great-niece of Buz and Stacey Wainwright and Sandy McDonald, all of Heppner.

Paternal great-grandparents are Samie Schippert and the late Ross Schippert, Redmond.

Emma joins two sisters, Brynn McKenzie and Olivia Grace.

Cole McKay Ellis—Jon and Janelle Ellis, Heppner, announce the birth of a son, Cole McKay Ellis. Cole was born Dec. 10 at 1:38 p.m., weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces and was 21 inches long.



Cole McKay Ellis

Maternal grandparents are Jerry and Carmen Healy, Heppner. Great-grandmother is Gwen Healy, Heppner. Paternal grandparents are Paul and Kae Ellis of Pilot Rock.

Community lunch menu

Please note: lunch will be served on Friday next week instead of Wednesday.

St. Patrick's Parish volunteers will serve lunch on Friday, December 28 at St. Patrick's Senior Center. Lunch will be scrambled eggs, ham, bacon and sausage, hash browns, citrus salad, sliced tomatoes, biscuits and gravy and cinnamon rolls for dessert.

Milk is served at each meal. Suggested donation is \$3.50 per meal. Menu is subject to change.

Be a holiday hero – give the gift of life

Red Cross urgently needs blood and platelet donations

A local blood drive will be held in Heppner on Jan. 15, 2019 at the St. Patrick's Senior Center from noon to 4:30 p.m.

Emergencies don't take a holiday. The American Red Cross urgently needs blood and platelet donors to make an appointment now to give and help ensure patients can get the treatment they need at a moment's notice.

In November 2016, a 100-foot maple tree fell on Mike McMahon, causing

life-threatening injuries. He needed 11 units of blood during emergency surgery and another seven units to treat complications after. Six weeks following the accident, McMahon was released from the hospital – just in time to spend the holidays with his family.

"I'm grateful for the donors who gave me such an amazing gift – the gift of life," said McMahon. "I was an occasional blood donor before the accident. Today, I donate as often as

I can to help ensure others receive blood when they need it most."

Now is an important time to give blood and platelets. A seasonal decline in donations occurs from Thanksgiving to New Year's Day when donors get busy with family gatherings and travel. In addition, severe winter weather can cause blood drive cancellations and negatively affect the blood supply. Patients like McMahon can't afford for there to be a shortage

of blood.

Give the gift of life – make an appointment to donate blood and platelets by downloading the free American Red Cross Blood Donor App, visiting RedCrossBlood.org or calling 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767).

As a special thank-you for helping meet the urgent need, those who come to give Dec. 20 through Jan. 6 will receive a long-sleeved Red Cross T-shirt, while supplies last.

Alumni basketball games scheduled

The 8th annual Heppner High School alumni basketball games will be held Sunday, Dec. 23 at the Heppner High school gym. The women's game will begin at 3 p.m., with the men's game to follow.

The games are open to HHS alumni and their spouses/significant others. Typically, two 20 minutes halves are played with a running clock. If there is a large turnout, additional time may be added. Teams

are split based on numbers and age of participants. The cost per team member is \$25 and includes a tee shirt.

Spectator admission to this fundraiser for the men's basketball program is \$2. Former teammates and friends are encouraged to play and attend. Additional information may be found on Facebook at 8th annual HHS Alumni basketball games or by calling the high school at 541-676-9138.

Chamber Chatter

Nominations are open for Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards Event. Nominations are being accepted for the Business of the Year, Woman of the Year, Man of the Year, Citizen-Educator of the Year, Youth Award and Lifetime Achievement Award. Forms can be picked up at the Bank of Eastern Oregon, City Hall, Community Bank, Heppner Chamber and Kuhn Law Office or by calling the Chamber at 541-676-5536 or emailing heppnerchamber@centurytel.net.

Completed nomination forms can be dropped off at the Heppner Chamber or Kuhn Law offices by Jan. 11. The event will be held Thursday, Feb. 7, starting at 6 p.m. at the Morrow County Fairgrounds. Tickets will be available for sale beginning Friday, Jan. 4, 2019.

The deadline for the canned food drive at Wheatland Insurance is Dec. 20. Wheatland is collecting canned food that will be donated to the Neighborhood Center.

Sunday, Dec. 23 at 3 p.m., 8th Annual HHS Alumni Basketball game at the Heppner High School gym.

Thursday, Jan. 17 from noon to 1 p.m., Heppner Chamber annual luncheon at the senior center dining room.

Planning commission seeks volunteer

The Morrow County Planning Commission is seeking a volunteer to represent the greater lone area. Morrow County Planning commissioners generally serve four-year terms, however this recruitment is to fill a partial term which would end Dec. 31, 2019.

Planning commission duties include approving land use actions, maintain-

ing the county's subdivision and zoning ordinance and working with the county board of commissioners to manage the county's land use comprehensive plan. The planning commission generally meets once a month, alternating between Heppner and Boardman locations.

Interested parties must

reside within Morrow County and in the community they are representing. Anyone interested is encouraged to submit a letter of interest by mail to the Morrow County Planning Director, P.O. Box 40, Irrigon, OR 97844, or by email to cmclane@co.morrow.or.us, by noon on Friday, Jan. 4, 2019.

The Heppner Gazette-Times wants to see pictures of your trophy animals from this hunting season. Stop by to have your picture taken, drop off photos, mail them to PO Box 337 in Heppner, email them to editor@rapidsolve.net or text cell phone photos to 541-980-6674.

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