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**Obituaries**

**Barbara Ellen Anderson**

Barbara Ellen Bloodsworth Anderson passed away peacefully surrounded by her family on Jan. 12 at home in Sisters, OR after a valiant struggle with cancer. Barbara was born on Feb. 23, 1949 in Heppner to James and Lavonne Bloodsworth and was raised on their ranch near Lexington.



Barbara Ellen Anderson

As a child Barbara was active in 4-H, winning many awards showing her dairy animals. Barbara loved riding her horse Cindy, racing home from school to saddle up and ride until evening. She was chosen as a Morrow County Fair and Rodeo Princess in 1966. During high school Barbara was a cheerleader, member of the Future Homemakers of America (FHA), National Honor Society, Girls League, Drill Team, the FBLA and was active in the Heppner Mustang Pep Club.

Barbara and David were married in Heppner on Feb. 5, 1967. Their daughter Katrina was born there and daughter Anissa arrived the following year when the couple lived in Albany, OR where David attended and graduated from Oregon State University in Corvallis. Barbara's life of world travel began when the couple joined the Peace Corps in 1971. They moved to Iran for a year with their two young daughters. David's career then took them to many locales over 40 years, including Thailand, Philippines (where son Severn was born), Dominican Republic, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Brazil, Sri Lanka, Bolivia, USA, Hong Kong, Indonesia, and Albania before settling in Camano Island, WA prior to their move to Sisters, OR in 2017.

As an expatriate who moved often, Barbara's life was full of challenging logistics including finding suitable housing and schools, navigating how to raise a family in dif-

ferent cultures, learning new languages and customs, cultivating new friendships, entertaining business and family acquaintances and the day to day challenge of shopping in foreign markets and cooking delicious and healthy meals for her family. While doing all these things well, Barbara also took time to learn Mahjong and card games like bridge, which she played with friends in various countries over time. Since returning state-side to live, Barbara spent much of her time with her grown children and grandchildren and loved gardening, bird watching and travelling. She obtained a Certified Wildlife Habitat designation for their Camano Island, WA home. Barbara and David traveled to Hawaii, Costa Rica, Panama, Iceland, Italy, Spain, France, Malta and many places around the northwest.

Barbara is survived by her husband David Anderson of 51 years of marriage; daughters, Katrina Fountain (Rob, Jon Paul, Anne Marie) of Kirkland, WA and Anissa Anderson (Karl and Bjorn) of Sisters, OR and son, Severn Anderson (Heather, Logan, Orion) of Bend, OR; mother, Lavonne (Bloodsworth) Morford of Redmond, OR and brother, Jim Bloodsworth (Carlita) of Prosser, WA and Heppner. She was preceded in death by her father James E. Bloodsworth of Lexington and sister Denise (Bloodsworth) Rands of Crooked River Ranch, OR.

Per her wishes, a private memorial service with close friends and family will be held in spring at their home in Sisters, OR, amid the ponderosa pine trees, mountain views and landscaped gardens that she loved so dearly and where her ashes will be interred. Those wishing may make a donation in Barbara's memory to St. Charles Cancer Center, 2500 NE Neff Rd., Bend, OR 97701.

events and was proud of their accomplishments. He was very humble, a good story teller and could easily make people laugh. He'd tell you he couldn't go online, the only line he had was a clothesline.

He is survived by his daughter, Sandra Lynn Fulton Goebel of Klamath Falls; grandsons, Austin Goebel and his wife Tonja of Arkansas and Alden Goebel of Klamath Falls; brothers, Bill Fulton of Burns and Richard Fulton; half-sister, Judy Ann (Wayne) Davis of Heppner;

numerous nieces and nephews and many dear friends, including special friends Mark Daniels of Klamath Falls, Robert Misener of Fossil, Fred Beckley of Eugene and Jorge Portugal of Brownsville, TX. He was preceded in death by his parents, Tom Fulton and Judy Hampton; sisters, Mary Lou LaGore and Jackie Williams; half-brothers, Troy Carey, Doug Carey and Butch Carey.

Interment will be arranged by his family at a later date.

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Oregon State Police reported Bose was on duty and was driving within a reasonable speed. They are not sure, but they think Bose may have fallen asleep. He will be cited for failure to drive within a lane.

The deputy was taken by ambulance to Good Shepherd Hospital for evaluation of minor injuries and has since been released. Sheriff Matlack reports that Oregon State Police will be conducting the traffic crash investigation.

**Betty Lou Curnutt**

Former Heppner resident Betty Lou Curnutt, 88, of Hermiston, died Wednesday, Jan. 30 at Richland, WA. At her request no service will be held.



Betty Lou Curnutt

She was born Nov. 20, 1930 at Fairfax, OK the daughter of Homer and Eva Benge Schell. Betty was raised and attended school in Fossil, which is where she met Harold Curnutt. The couple married at Bonners Ferry, ID in October of 1948. They lived in various places before moving to Heppner in 1960 where they raised four children. They later divorced.

Betty worked as a Certified Nurse's Aide at Pioneer Memorial Hospital and was also a dedicated volunteer to the EMT Program. She was a big baseball fan and coached a softball team

for several years. She also enjoyed gardening and crocheting. After retiring she moved to Umatilla, Woodburn and California before settling in Hermiston.

Survivors include her daughter, Karen McMurry of Umatilla; sons; Keith Curnutt of Irrigon, Ray Curnutt of Pierce, ID, Kevin Curnutt of Murrieta, CA; 10 grandchildren; nine great grandchildren; three sisters and two brothers. She was preceded in death by her parents and three brothers.

Memorial contributions may be made to Pioneer Memorial Hospital, PO Box 9, Heppner, Oregon 97836. The online condolence book is available at [www.sweeneymortuary.com](http://www.sweeneymortuary.com).

**Judith (Paine) Shannon**

Judith "Judy" (Paine) Shannon, of Everett, WA passed away early Saturday morning, Jan. 26. She was born July 14, 1942 in Norfolk, VA to William Shannon Cochell of Heppner who was serving in the Navy during WWII and Virginia Dean Cochell. Her early years were spent in Heppner and then on Willow Creek at Wilkinson Ranch after her father's death in 1949.



Judith (Paine) Shannon

Judy graduated from Heppner High School in 1960 and then attended Pacific University, Columbia Basin College and Marylhurst College.

Judy, from an early age loved to read, write poetry, draw, paint, play the piano and sing. She was a prolific poet and had a poetry collection published called *The Lizard King*. She sang in the Heppner Methodist Church choir growing up and she lent her voice to a high school trio. She loved horses and was a member of the Morrow County Rodeo Court as princess in 1959. She later co-owned a horse ranch in Harrison, ID with her husband Richard. She and Richard Paine, a cowboy on Wilkinson Ranch

met in Heppner in the 1950s and married in 1962. They had two children, Nancy and Shawn Paine.

Judy was preceded in death by her parents, William Shannon Cochell and Virginia (Cochell) Wilkinson and the love of her life, Richard Paine. She was also pre-deceased by her step-father, Dick Wilkinson.

Survivors include her daughter, Nancy Paine of Marysville, WA; Nancy's children, Jessica (Michael) Lineman with Judy's great-grandchild on the way, Logan Baker and Dylan Shalan; son, Shawn Paine (Nuala) of Crofton, MD and their children, Jack and Emily; sister, Pam (Mark) Wunderlich of Heppner; niece, Angela (Mike) Elliott and grandnephew, Ian of Oceanside, CA; aunt Shirley Ruggs of Heppner and several cousins across the U.S.

Memorial contributions may be made to the charity of your choice. A celebration of life will be planned for spring or early summer and will be announced. The online condolence book is available at [www.sweeneymortuary.com](http://www.sweeneymortuary.com).

**Chamber Chatter**

Thursday, Feb. 7, Heppner Chamber's Annual Town and Country Community Awards event to be held at the Morrow County Fairgrounds beginning at 6 p.m. The theme for the event will be "An Evening With the Stars." Gateway Café will serve prime rib with au jus, creamy garlic mashed potatoes, green beans in garlic sauce, garden fresh salad, dessert and a beverage at 6:30 p.m. A no host bar will be offered by Bucknum's beginning at 6 p.m. Contact the chamber at 541-676-5536 for tickets.

Thursday, Feb. 28 from noon to 1 p.m.. Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group hosted Annual Luncheon in the Senior Center dining room. There will be an update on the projects that Willow Creek Valley Economic Development Group has been working on along with plans for the future. Alvin Liu of Gateway Café will cater the lunch of homemade BBQ ribs, baked beans, potato salad and dessert. RSVP is required. Contact the chamber office at 541-676-5536 or [heppnerchamber@centurytel.net](mailto:heppnerchamber@centurytel.net).

**Gordon Jack Fulton**

Gordon Jack "Bud" Fulton passed away Friday, Jan. 18 in Brownsville, TX at the age of 82. Bud was born July 21, 1936 in Vernonia, OR to Thomas William Fulton and Gladys Jewell "Judy" (Smith) Fulton. He was raised in Vernonia and attended Vernonia High School where he played basketball.



Gordon Jack Fulton

In 1955, he joined the U.S. Army and served four years with the 95<sup>th</sup> Engineer Company in Germany as a cook and baker. While in the Army he received his GED. Upon his return from the Army in October 1958, after an honorable discharge, he began working for Kinzua Corporation in Kinzua and continued working there until the mill closed in 1978. While working at Kinzua Lumber Company, he was an officer of the Lumberman's Union and traveled to San Francisco and Chicago to represent the union.

He played on an adult basketball league while at Kinzua. Over the years, he lived in Kinzua, Fossil and Condon. Bud married Rollene Walter in September 1961 and they had one daughter, Sandra Lynn. They later divorced. After Kinzua Corp. closed and the community dismantled, Bud relocated to Burns where he worked for Edward Hines Lumber Corporation as a saw filer until he retired in 1996. The metal saw fibers/shavings took a toll on his lungs and he suffered from commercial (industrial) asthma for the

remainder of his life. After a short time living in Payette, ID, Bud moved "down the canyon" on the Brownlee Reservoir near Huntington, where he would spend the rest of his life. He loved to fish and if possible he would fish daily. His best days were spent fishing. He could file a fish perfectly, with no bones to be found. Bud traveled south for the winters and would explore throughout Mexico and meet friends who were vacationing there. In his later years he stayed in Brownsville, TX where he made many friends. Bud attended two Army reunions back east and enjoyed those trips very much. He loved to travel by train, but never used a sleeper.

Bud was an avid sports fan, especially college and NFL football. He liked to hunt, he never missed a garage sale and he had a huge collection of marbles. When he visited Mexico he always brought along basketball nets for the hoops which thrilled the children. Bud was a good cook and made angel biscuits that melted in your mouth. He had a feisty disposition, was stubborn and independent and never complained about his health. He could sharpen a knife like no other and he played a smart hand of pinochle.

He was proud of his grandsons, visiting them during the holidays before his travels south. He loved watching their sporting

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