

OBITUARIES

Bernard Wilbur 'Bernie' Carper

Hermiston
February 11, 1932-October 20, 2016

Bernard Wilbur "Bernie" Carper was born February 11, 1932, in La Grande, Oregon, to parents Roy Wilbur and Eunice Jane (Courtney) Carper. He died Thursday, October 20, 2016, at his home in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 84.



go there." During his years as a businessman he was very active in his community and received many awards for personal and professional dedication to his community and career. He received the Hermiston Chamber of Commerce Business Man of the Year award in 1974, Retailer of the Year in 1984, 1969 Hermiston Jaycees Distinguished Service Award and in 1979 he was named president of the Oregon Pharmacy Association. He received the Pharmacy Leadership Award for 1978-79 from the National Association of Retail Drug-gists. In 1969 he received the AH Robbins Award for Outstanding Community Service in Pharmacy.

Bernie was raised in Promise, Oregon, and moved to Wallowa, Oregon, in high school and graduated from Wallowa High, class of 1950. He enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1952 and served until his discharge in 1956.

On April 5, 1953, he married his high school sweetheart Kathryn Mae McKenzie at the home of the bride's parents in Wallowa. Bernie, who was in the Air Force stationed in Chandler, Arizona, came home for a few days for the wedding and then the newlyweds moved to Arizona.

After high school he worked for the *Wallowa County Chieftain* newspaper as a linotype operator, discovering that he really enjoyed the newspaper business as he continued to talk about many years later. He carried his newspaper skills with him to work at the *Pacific Stars and Stripes* newspaper while serving in the Air Force and stationed in Japan, and again with the *Mesa Tribune* while stationed in Arizona.

After the service, Bernie attended Eastern Oregon College in La Grande and then attended and graduated from Oregon State University School of Pharmacy in 1962. Bernie worked as pharmacist for over 42 years, officially retiring in 1997 but he also continued to work when needed for the next 11 years. His first job was in Salem, Oregon, and then he moved to Hermiston in 1963 where he was the owner/operator of Moore & Ripley Drug Store in Hermiston for 22 years, 14 years partnered with his wife Kathy. The couple sold the business in 1986 to Payless Drug, where Bernie continued to work until his retirement. After his retirement he occasionally worked at Murray's Drug Store in Heppner, Oregon, until 2008.

Bernie jokingly stated in an interview with the *East Oregonian* newspaper in 2008 that his chose pharmacy over journalism because journalism would have forced him to attend the University of Oregon, where the devoted OSU Beavers fan clearly stated, "No, I don't want to

Carper

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Bernie served as chairman of the Hermiston City Planning Commission from 1975-1997. He was recognized by the city of Hermiston for providing 29 years to the Planning Commission. He was on the Budget Committee from 1966-1968, and the Planning Commission from 1971-1997. Bernie was an elder and long-time member of the First Christian Church in Hermiston, and a lifetime member of the Masonic Lodge #138. He was also a member of the Kiwanis Club, where he served as president in 1967.

Bernie enjoyed hunting, fishing, trap shooting, RV camping, watching his children, nieces and nephews play sports and he loved the Oregon State University Beavers.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his son-in-law Gary Lovell.

He is survived by his wife of 63 years, Kathryn of Hermiston; children Steve Carper of Moses Lake, Wash., Carolle Lovell of Hermiston and Jeff Carper and his fiancé Warrine, from whom he also acquired one great-granddaughter, Kalissa Cambell of Hermiston; and brother Vernon Carper and his wife Fay of Lewiston, Idaho.

A memorial service will be held on Wednesday, October 26, 2016, at 11 a.m. at the First Christian Church, 775 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston, OR 97838. Burial with military honors will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

Please send condolences at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the First Christian Church, Hermiston or the Masonic Lodge, Hermiston.

Carl F. Peters

Manzanita
March 18, 1923-October 12, 2016

Carl F. Peters was born in Enosburg Falls, Vermont, on March 18, 1923, and died at home in Manzanita, Oregon, at the age of 93, October 12, 2016.



when Brother Andre became a saint. On January 1, 2008, Carl married Patty Rinehart and they enjoyed every minute of their time together. Patty made those trips with Carl from Manzanita to Vermont and back to Manzanita. Always eventful and always fun in hindsight.

Carl married his wife Ione Harwood while in the Air Corps. They had four children, Marsha (Tom) Eiguren, Susan Hodge, Mike Peters (Kathleen), and Joan Morisky (Steve). Carl had eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Wife Ione and daughter Marsha preceded Carl in death.

Carl made this journey from Vermont to Manzanita and Manzanita to Vermont countless times in his life. If Carl was taking his family, he drove to Vermont and in later years he took the train. The trips to Vermont meant he brought home lots of maple sugar candy and real maple syrup, which he gave away as gifts. Almost every trip was accompanied by a side trip to Montreal. There he would visit Saint Joseph's Oratory of Mount Royal and honor Brother Andre. He was actually at Mount Royal with family

Peters

Larry Ray Maret

Hermiston
December 8, 1957-October 20, 2016

Larry Ray Maret was born December 8, 1957, at Tacoma, Washington, to parents Connie Harold and Francis (Meredit) Maret Sr. He died Thursday, October 20, 2016, at his home in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 58.



He was raised and attended schools in Hermiston. He worked as a laborer at Union Pacific Railroad, Watco Railroad, and at Marlette Homes. Larry loved his 1968 Mustang.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Francis Meredith; grandparents Leo and May Maret; stepsister Colleen Maret Clark; and uncle Bill Maret.

He is survived by his father, Connie Maret Sr., and stepmother Patricia Maret of Hermiston; companion Anita Farler of Hermiston; son Justin Maret of Hermiston; brother Connie (Kelly) Maret Jr. of Hermiston; sister Deborah (Mark) Tyler of

Woodland, Wash., and their children Michelle Walker, Matt Tyler, Chris Tyler and Jason Tyler; half-brothers Brandt, Brian and Matt Littrell; half-sister Melissa Littrell of Hermiston; stepbrothers Glenn (Cindy) Maret of Irrigon, Ore., and James (Christy) Maret of Nysa, Ore.; aunt Betty Kammerzell of Hermiston; special cousins Lori McDermott and Rocky Thompson; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services will be held on Saturday, October 29, 2016, at 11 a.m. at the Hermiston Assembly of God Church, 730 E. Hurlburt Ave., Hermiston, OR 97838. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to the local charity of your choice.

Please send condolences at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon, is in care of arrangements.

Betty Bedortha

Heppner
February 26, 1928-October 17, 2016

Betty Bedortha, 88, of Heppner joined her husband in heaven on Monday, October 17, 2016. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 29, at All Saints Episcopal Church, 140 West Church Street, Heppner.



Bedortha

Betty was born February 26, 1928, in Tokeland, Washington. She was raised in Tillamook, Oregon, and attended business school in Portland, Oregon, upon high school graduation.

Betty returned to Tillamook and married Kenneth Bedortha in 1948. They later left Tillamook and purchased a dairy farm in Springfield, Oregon, and ultimately started Bedortha Construction Company. The couple sold the business and moved to Central Oregon where they raised beef cattle. Along the way they raised four children, and upon early retirement returned to Springfield to start a new business, Oregon Meter Repair, and then settled in Tillamook with their business. After spending many winters in Yuma, Arizona, they chose to retire there and enjoyed golfing and traveling until Ken's health forced them to return to Oregon. They moved to Hermiston, Oregon, to be near their son and daughter. Ken passed away in 2009 from Alzheimer's. While in Hermiston, Betty stayed active and was a volunteer for Good Shepherd Auxiliary, member of

Hermiston Emblem Club as well as St. John's Episcopal Church.

For the past year, Betty had lived at St. Patrick's Senior Center and just recently moved to Willow Creek Terrace Assisted Living in Heppner. Betty loved playing bingo, relished the meals at the senior meal site and enjoyed her morning coffee friends.

Betty's favorite pastime was reading and she passed away while reading a book nestled in her lap. She was an avid OSU Beaver fan and loved to tease Oregon Duck fans whenever she could.

Betty dearly cherished all of her friends at All Saints Episcopal church. She always commented how nice and friendly everyone in Heppner was to her.

She is survived by son Mike (Cristal) Bedortha of Gridley, California; daughter Marcia (Gary) Kemp of Lexington; son Tom (Teresa) Bedortha of Heppner; and son Tim (Elena) Bedortha of Beaverton, Oregon; 11 grandchildren and 18 great-grandchildren.

Betty was preceded in death of her husband of 61 years, Ken, and her father and mother, William and Louise Riechers.

Memorial contributions may be made to All Saints Episcopal Church, P.O. Box 246, Heppner, OR 97836.

Sweeney Mortuary of Heppner is in care of arrangements.

COURT REPORT

Sentences

The following sentences have been imposed in Umatilla County courts:

MISDEMEANOR

•Mark William McCallum, 54, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Driving While Suspended: sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation and \$2,000 fine, plus court costs and fees.

•David Ulices Ponce, 24, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Criminal Mischief II: sentenced to 180 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, 80 hours community service, \$200 fine, \$1,800 fine-suspended and \$938.27 restitution, plus court costs and fees.

•Raymond Elsworth Dungan III, 40, Umatilla, pleaded guilty to Disorderly Conduct II: sentenced to 90 days jail-suspended, 1 year probation, 20 hours community service, \$100 fine and \$900 fine-suspended, plus court costs and fees.

Divorces

Divorce decrees were signed in Umatilla County Courts for:

Desiree Mae Coggins and Timothy Heath Coggins; Amy Marie Blanchet and Jody Jack Allen.

Marriages

Marriage licenses have been registered in Umatilla County for:

John Franklin Bullock Jr., 41, and Candice Lee Arbogast, 36, both of Hermiston.

John Cody Hamann, 47, and Bonnie Lee Guthrie, 47, both of Hermiston.

Devonlee Van-Arlett Lane, 21, and Jessica Renaye Asumendi, 20, both of Hermiston.

Claude Michael Lemons, 71, and Debra Lorraine Lemons, 60, both of Hermiston.

Travis Ray Lewis, 36, and Jamilynn Suzanne Rodstol, 30, both of Kenne-

wick, Wash.
Juan Artemio Martinez, 50, and Yolanda Jimenez, 46, both of Hermiston.

Johnny Ray Pollick, 42, and Tiffany Sue Blankenship, 35, both of Hermiston.
William Hamilton Rieke, 22, of Pasco, Wash., and Claudia Emperatriz Mena, 21, of Kennewick, Wash.

Martin Silva Esquivel, 33, and Carmela Estrada Pinedo, 35, both of Hermiston.

Marcel Wolmarans, 25, and Destiny Jenae George, 25, both of Hermiston.

Suits Filed

The following suits have been filed in Umatilla County courts:

•Bonneville Billing & Collections Inc. vs. Alexis I. Gomez: seeks \$519.74 plus interest, costs and fees.

•United Finance Co. vs. Leticia Ramirez: seeks \$751.34 plus interest, costs and fees.

•Citibank N.A. vs. Karl A. Williams: seeks \$3,001.87 and \$7,492.11 in separate suits, plus interest, costs and fees.

•Freedom Mortgage Corporation vs. Unknown heirs of Mark Fredrick Smithson, Shirley Jane Smithson, Brenda S. Smithson, Scott E. Smithson, State of Oregon and occupants of premises: seeks \$115,419.56 plus interest, costs and fees.

•Portfolio Recovery Associates LLC vs. Teresa Urincho: seeks \$4,525.63 plus interest, costs and fees.

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

SUNDAY, OCT. 23

10:25 a.m. - A Stanfield man reported the theft of his Remington .12-gauge shotgun from his home on East Harding Avenue.

6:20 p.m. - Umatilla police responded to Lind Road after a female reported her boyfriend assaulted her during an argument and possibly broke her hand.

SATURDAY, OCT. 22

7:28 p.m. - A Umatilla man told an Oregon State Police trooper his black two-door Honda Prelude broke down at Highway 730 and Interstate 84 while he as going to work in the morning, and it was gone when he returned to retrieve it.

11:15 p.m. - The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received a complaint about drug dealing at a home on Follett Lane, Hermiston.

11:50 p.m. - A Stanfield woman reported her husband hit her and she is pregnant.

FRIDAY, OCT. 21

4:41 a.m. - An employee of Crossroads Truck Stop, 2020 Highway 730,

Umatilla, reported broken windows at the restaurant.

10:21 a.m. - A man on Northeast Moe Lane, Hermiston, reported his neighbor's geese have been eating his strawberries, and Friday morning the fowl would not let his niece get out of her vehicle, and he had to shoot the birds with a BB gun to scare them away.

11:45 a.m. - Burglars kicked in the door of a home on West Coe Avenue, Stanfield, the homeowner reported, and stole property.

12:31 p.m. - The Morrow County Sheriff's Office received a complaint about the people living in three camp trailers on South C Street, Lexington. They play loud music at all hours and yell and scream at each other during the nights. The caller also reported "there is a strange smell that permeates the area."

9:30 p.m. - A male called 9-1-1 and reported he was running on Diagonal Road, Hermiston, and someone was chasing him in a gray truck, then the call ended.

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BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

OCT. 12, 2016

THEROS — Jessica S. Theros and Joshua D. Theros of Hermiston: a girl, Lennox Saree Theros.

OCT. 14, 2016

CLEMENTS — Jennifer Ransom and Anthony Clements of Hermiston: a boy, Lorenzo Modesto Clements.

OCT. 15, 2016

DOMINGUEZ BENITEZ — Claudia Dominguez Benitez and Lucio E. Dominguez Umana of Hermiston: a boy, Matteo Emmanuel Dominguez Benitez.

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