

OBITUARIES

Jeffrey Sutton Jenkins

Tacoma, Wash.
January 28, 1954 - September 30, 2018

Jeff was born on January 28, 1954, in La Grande, Oregon, as the first child of Jack and Roberta Jenkins. The family lived in La Grande, Nyssa and West Linn, Oregon, before moving to Hermiston, Oregon, in 1960 along with his brother Charles, 20 months his junior. His brother Rob joined them in 1961.

never complained, and always fought the good fight. He stayed interested in life, sports, politics, and those around him.



Jenkins

Jeff grew up in Hermiston. He graduated from Hermiston High School in 1972. Jeff went on to graduate from Eastern Oregon State College with a bachelor's degree in 1976.

Jeff was an avid skier and skied at Anthony Lakes Ski Resort throughout his college days and after.

After college, Jeff focused on a career in food service management: at Copper Kitchen restaurants; at ski resorts (Anthony Lakes, Schweitzer, Idaho, Red Lodge, Mont., and Alpine Meadows, Calif.); at entertainment and sports venues in Sacramento, Mountain View and Berkeley, Calif., and in Portland, Ore. Jeff also taught ski school at Mount Hood's Timberline ski resort.

Jeff lived a full life in his 20s and 30s, despite the epilepsy that became more active as Jeff entered his early 20s. In February 1994, at the age of 40, Jeff had a stroke. From then on, Jeff struggled with the after-effects of his stroke and the ongoing epileptic seizures, and in later years a series of physical problems. Jeff never let his disability get him down,

Jeff dealt with his disability the best he could, with help from his dad, his brothers and, early on, from his then-wife Charlene. Jeff lived out near Mount Hood, Ore., for several years after his stroke, then lived in assisted living in Tualatin and Oregon City, Ore., for over a decade. Jeff's last few years were spent in nursing homes in Oregon City and Tigard, Ore., and for the last 18 months in Tacoma, near his brother Rob.

Jeff passed away on Sunday, September 30, in Tacoma, Wash. He was 64 years of age.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents. He is survived by his college love and former partner Sylvia Duarte of Santa Rosa, Calif., and their daughter and granddaughter, Robyn and Kelly Weber of Camino Island, Wash.; his former wife, Charlene Fleming of Cottonwood, Calif.; cousins Greg Hays of Denver and Kathy Kostka of Gig Harbor, Wash.; and his brothers Charles of Soldotna, Alaska, and Rob of Tacoma.

Graveside service was held at 1 p.m. Saturday, October 6, 2018, at Hillcrest Cemetery in Weiser, Idaho.

Please leave online condolences at www.gaffney-cares.com.

Arrangements by Gaffney Funeral Home, 253-572-6003.

John F. Walchli

Hermiston
July 26, 1934 - September 26, 2018

John F. Walchli was born on July 26, 1934 in Stanfield, Oregon, to Ernest and Maria Pauline Federer Walchli. He died on September 26, 2018, at his home in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 84 years.

of countless projects.

He is survived by his wife of 65 years, Marge Walchli, Hermiston, Ore.; sons Phillip (Michelle) Walchli, Hermiston, Ore., and Gregg (Cheri) Walchli, Woodinville, Wash.; daughters Diane (Charlie) Fetterhoff, Hermiston, Ore., and Cherie Walchli (Hal Smith), Lynnwood, Wash.; brother Skip (Sherry) Walchli, Hermiston, Ore.; sister Betty (Ron) Furrer, Stanfield, Ore.; sister-in-law Irene Walchli, Hermiston, Ore.; grandchildren Billie, Lauren, Sarah, Kyle, Mick, Dru and Dylan; six great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.



Walchli

John was raised and attended schools in Stanfield, Oregon, where he played football and basketball. He graduated from Stanfield High School in 1952 and had already started his farming career raising watermelons. John was united in marriage to Marjorie E. "Marge" Chrisman on August 10, 1953, in Lewiston, Idaho. Through the years their farm continued to expand, raising watermelons, potatoes, asparagus, wheat, alfalfa, cattle and buffalo. They have a potato shed for fresh pack potatoes.

He was a member of the Hermiston Elks Lodge #1845, Oregon Wheat League, Oregon Cattleman's Association, Safari Club International, Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation, Ducks Unlimited, Oregon-California Potato Marketing Committee, Umatilla County Farm Bureau, National Potato Promotion Board, Farms Home Administration Board and Oregon Potato Commission. He served on the board of directors for both PGG and Inland Empire Bank. John won the Oregon Outstanding Young Farmer of the Year award in 1969. In 1979 and in 1981 he received a Soil and Water Conservation award.

John loved hunting and enjoyed traveling, NFR, old cars and tractors. You could always find John working around the farm and was always willing to lend a hand to help others and was a great supporter

John was preceded in death by his parents, brother George Walchli, and sisters Margaret Robertson and Mary Ann Moore.

Visitation was on Wednesday, October 3 and Thursday, October 4 from 3 p.m. until 7 p.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel, Hermiston, Oregon. A celebration of life service will be held on Saturday, October 13, 2018, at 1 p.m. at the Hermiston High School gymnasium, 600 S. First St., Hermiston, Oregon. A private family burial will be held at the Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

The family requests those who wish may make contributions in John's memory (in lieu of flowers) to the Agape House or Vange John Memorial Hospice Education Fund c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box, 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Please sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Nan Carol Reeves

Hermiston
October 13, 1924 - September 26, 2018

On September 26, 2018, Nan Carol Reeves passed away peacefully, surrounded by family. Nan was born on October 13, 1924, in Kreole, Mississippi, to Walter Leon and Ola Mae (Peggy) Dees.



Reeves

Nan was raised in Mobile and Grand Bay, Alabama. Her senior year of high school World War II was declared. After graduating from Grand Bay High School she attended University Business School in Mobile, Alabama. Her first job was at the *Mobile Press Register*. Soon the War Price and Ration Board was formed and Nan was one of the first people hired to work there.

In 1943 Fred Reeves' Army unit arrived in Pecan, Mississippi. His outfit was invited to a dance in Grand Bay. One of his buddies dared him to ask Nan to dance and the rest is history. After a short courtship they were married on July 23, 1943, in Moss Point, Mississippi. Fred was honorably discharged in 1945 and they moved to his hometown, Hermiston, Oregon. Nan owned and operated a business for 17 years.

She loved playing cards and belonged to several pinocle and bridge groups spanning her entire adult life. Nan was a 70-year member of the First United Methodist Church. She was active in the Women's Group as well as teaching both children and adult Sunday School classes for many years. Nan was full of energy, and very well organized and efficient. This allowed her to get a lot done in short order which earned her the nickname of "Little General."

After retirement, Nan and Fred enjoyed many years RVing and fishing with friends. There was always a card game going with fun times enjoyed together.

Fred passed away in 2007 after 63 happy and blessed years of marriage. Nan continued to live in their home and kept an immaculate yard. She enjoyed garden-

ing and took great pride and joy in her beautiful roses and other flowers.

She was a natural caregiver. For many years she drove her older or disabled friends to social events and appointments.

In 2011, Nan moved to Sun Terrace. She had many friends there and loved reaching out and helping those less fortunate than her. She was thankful for the friendships she had there with the residents and staff.

She has been a positive guiding force in the lives of her entire family. She had the opportunity in the days before her passing to witness to all, "to be good kind citizens and to follow Jesus," whom she loved, admired, followed and depended on. Her beautiful Christian spirit shined for all to see. She will be greatly missed, but we as a family have peace knowing that she is with her Lord.

She is survived by her children Fred (Linda) Reeves, Barry (Joan) Reeves, Fran Fife and Cindy (Roger) Goller; eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. Nan's family meant everything to her. Many wonderful holidays and gatherings happened at Nana's house.

Nan was preceded in death by her husband Fred; her parents; three brothers, Tom, Max and Bill Dees; and son-in-law Brent Fife.

A celebration of Nan's life will be held Saturday, October 13, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at the First United Methodist Church, 191 E. Gladys Ave., Hermiston, Oregon.

Donations may be made in Nan's memory to the First United Methodist Church, or Vange John Memorial Hospice Education Fund at 645 W. Orchard Ave., Suite 300, Hermiston, OR 97838.

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Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

Freddie J. 'Fred' Stone

Umatilla
June 5, 1934 - October 2, 2018

Freddie J. "Fred" Stone of Umatilla, Oregon, was born on June 5, 1934, in Omak, Washington, to parents Walter and Beulah Ful-

stone watching sports, camping, playing cards, reading, telling stories and jokes.

He is survived by his wife of 64 years, Jean Stone, Umatilla, Ore.; daughters Cheree Stephens, East Wenatchee, Wash., and Lori (Don) Thornton, Boise, Idaho; son Vince (Katrina) Stone, Hermiston, Ore.; grandchildren Jamie, Natasha, Shayla, Justin, Tiffany and Jennifer; stepgrandchildren Kara, Kayla and Jessica; nine great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.



Stone

He was raised in Chelan, Washington, graduating from Chelan High School in 1952. Fred was united in marriage to Jean L. Crill on November 7, 1953, in Chelan, Washington. They moved to Umatilla, Oregon, in 1974 where they have lived since.

Fred worked as a carpenter and at Valley Tractor in Wenatchee for a short time. He later went to work for Guenther Irrigation in Pasco and Othello, which led him to work for Valmont Northwest, an irrigation supply company in Pasco, Washington. He worked there in sales where he received salesman of the year award and formed lifelong working relationships and friendships with many of the area farmers until retiring in 2000.

Fred was a member of the Hermiston Elks Lodge #1845 and volunteer fireman in Moses Lake, Wash. He was an avid golfer and enjoyed

BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston

SEPT. 21, 2018

PURCELL — Norma Ayala and Jared Purcell of Boardman: a girl, Emery Millie Purcell.

SEPT. 23, 2018

MILBRODT-RENNER — Bethanie S. Milbrodt and Dominic J.G. Renner of Stanfield: a girl, Bentlie JuliaAnn Milbrodt-Renner.

SEPT. 24, 2018

GALVEZ — Sarah K. Galvez and Euclide R. Galvez of Kennewick, Wash.: a girl, Jade Isabella Galvez.

SEPT. 25, 2018

RICO GONZALEZ — Maria G. Gonzalez Marin and Jesus E. Rico Flores of Boardman: a girl, Dalila Rico Gonzalez.

SEPT. 27, 2018

LEAVITT — Heidilyn M. Leavitt and Rory D. Leavitt of Hermiston: a boy, Ruick Rhys Leavitt.

SEPT. 28, 2018

FLORES — Ashley A. Pitts and Roberto A. Flores of Hermiston: a girl, Karmin Lynn Flores.

OCT. 1, 2018

MECHAM — Christina B. Mecham and Christopher R. Holden of Umatilla: a girl, Emma Grace Mecham.

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

SEPT. 18, 2018

DICKENS — Chelsea A. Calvillo and Drew A. Dickens of Hermiston: a girl, Reign Gaelynn Dickens.

DEATH NOTICES

Phil E. Anderson

Hermiston
March 6, 1953 - Oct. 7, 2018

Phil E. Anderson, 65, of Hermiston died Sunday, Oct. 7, 2018, in Kennewick, Wash. He was born March 6, 1953, in Denver, Colorado. A funeral service with military honors will be held Sunday, Oct. 14 at 2 p.m. at the Stanfield Baptist Church, 310 E. Wheeler Ave. Burial will be at the Echo Cemetery. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Meredith Pearl (Hoover) DeHaven

Hermiston
Nov. 17, 1935 - Oct. 2, 2018

Meredith Pearl (Hoover) DeHaven, 82, of Hermiston died Tuesday, Oct. 2, 2018. She was born Nov. 17, 1935. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Rogelio Garcia Peña

Umatilla
Sept. 16, 1971 - Sept. 28, 2018

Rogelio Garcia Peña, 47, of Umatilla died Friday, Sept. 28, 2018, at his home. He was born Sept. 16, 1971, in Jalisco, Mexico. Recitation of the rosary was held Sunday, Oct. 7 at 5 p.m. in the Burns Mortuary chapel in Hermiston. Mass of Christian Burial will be held Monday, Oct. 8 at 10 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church in Hermiston. Burial followed at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Willard K. 'Bill' Smith

Hermiston
May 16, 1928 - Oct. 1, 2018

Willard K. "Bill" Smith, 90, of Hermiston died Monday, Oct. 1, 2018, in Hermiston. He was born May 16, 1928, in Goshen, Ore. A celebration of life gathering was held Saturday, Oct. 6 from 1-5 p.m. at the family home. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon. Sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Steven R. Zielinski

Hermiston
April 11, 1958 - Nov. 12, 2017

Dr. Steven R. Zielinski MD JD, 59, of Hermiston died Nov. 12, 2017, in Portland. He was born April 11, 1958, in Chicago, Illinois. A graveside service was held Saturday, Oct. 6, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. at Sunset Hills Cemetery in Umatilla. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the online condolence book at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

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