OBITUARIES

Meredith Pearl (Hoover) DeHaven

Hermiston November 17, 1935 - October 2, 2018

Meredith Pearl (Hoover) DeHaven was born on November 17, 1935. She passed on October 2, 2018, in Hermiston, Oregon, at the

age of 82 years. She was born to Fred (Ted) Hoover and Eunice Bolin in Portland, Ore. She was the middle of five children: AnnaLee, Fred Jr., Rosemary and Rex. As a child, DeHaven her family moved

around quite a lot picking fruit and nuts along the I-5 corridor. She remembered her first job at around four years old picking hazelnuts.

Her senior year, she moved to Irrigon, Ore., to live with her uncle and aunt, Porter and Lela Ross. After starting school in Irrigon, she met and began dating Harry "Jack" Smith. They got married when Meredith was 18, in 1954. They had five children, Jack, Harry, Mary. Meredith and Jennifer. After living with Jack and the children in Portland, Irrigon, Bend, Klamath Falls and Portland again where they stayed for several years, they all moved back to Irrigon in 1976 where Meredith and Jack divorced in 1978.

Up until this time Meredith was a stay at home mom; after the divorce she worked as a waitress and bartender in several different establishments. Her patrons fondly referred to her as "Marty." She also worked at U and I Potato (Lamb Weston in Boardman) in several different job titles throughout her time there.

In the mid-1980s she was cooking at the Nomad in Boardman when a tall, handsome man named Bruce DeHaven came into the restaurant one night for dinner after working at his construction job. Soon after meeting, they began dating and they were married April 25, 1987. In this marriage Meredith gained three stepchildren: Tina, Tami and Mike. Throughout the beginning of their marriage they moved around to different jobs all over Washington, Oregon, California and Nevada. They made many photo albums that document their travels together.

They began building a house in Irrigon in 1996 where she renewed her love for gardening by planting beautiful intricate gardens, growing bountiful vegetables and spending the majority of her time outside. They raised chickens, had cows, donkeys, a llama, dogs and cats. Meredith always commented that she would have had a dog sanctuary if Bruce had let her. He thought that the three dogs they had at the most was more than enough, especially with all of their other critters and the beautiful yard they had to keep up.

She also watched her grandchildren, taking the

scenic route to school, having parking lot picnics. doing arts and crafts, watching movies, telling stories and everything else that goes along with being a

wonderful Granny. After the grandchildren were a little older Meredith began getting involved in the city council in

Irrigon and then the school board for Morrow County. Meredith began petition-

ing to get Irrigon its high school back as it had closed and moved to Boardman in the late 1950s. She was one of the last graduating classes from the original high school in Irrigon and wanted her grandchildren, who were approaching the age for high school, to be able to go to school in their own town and have the same pride she did. It took seven and a half years but the goal was achieved and Irrigon had its first year of high school students in 2004.

She took up other causes as well, cultivating and selling flowers to fundraise for any cause that was in need and just because she enjoyed sharing her garden so much, and helping to found the Irrigon Multicultural Arts Center, among other smaller projects. Anyone that knew Meredith will tell you that she was a strong-willed, stubborn, passionate, ornery, sassy person who loved the life she had built with the love of her life. One of her favorite things to do was take pictures, mostly of Bruce, the critters, flowers and her grandchildren.

She is survived by her children Jack (Tina) Smith, Tillamook, Ore., Harry Smith, Gresham, Ore., Mary (David) Lorence, Umatilla, Ore., Meredith (Danny) Young, Irrigon, Ore., and Jennifer Smith, Irrigon, Ore.; her stepchildren Tina (Roger) Shaw, Veneta, Ore., Tami DeHaven Stebbeds, Eugene, Ore., and Mike (Karen) DeHaven, Eugene, sister Rosemary Ore.: Mitchell, Gresham, Ore.; and many nieces, nephews, grandchildren, great-grandchildren and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, her siblings AnnaLee, Fred Jr. and Rex, and her husbands Bruce and Jack.

In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Vange John Memorial Hospice Education Fund, 645 W. Orchard Ave. #300, Hermiston, OR 97838, or the Knights Pride Booster Club at Irrigon Junior Senior High School, 315 S.E. Wyoming Ave. Irrigon, OR 97844.

A private family gathering will be held.

Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuarvhermiston.com. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

Soilo Bustillos Garcia

Umatilla October 6, 1946 - October 10, 2018

of Umatilla, Oregon, was born on October 6, 1946, in Chihuahua, Mexico, to cia and Leonila Garcia, his parents Sidonio Garcia all of Mexico; grandchil-

and Maria Bustillos. He died on October 10, 2018, in Umatilla, Oregon, as the result of an accident at the age of 72 years.

Soilo was raised and lived in Mexico Garcia until moving to Cal-

ifornia in 1979. He moved to the Umatilla-Hermiston, Oregon, area where he has lived since.

Soilo worked as a truck driver for his whole career. He has owned and operated GM trucking, an agricultural trucking company, until the time of his death.

Soilo enjoyed horses, horse racing and raising cattle.

He is survived by his Guillermo Garsons cia, Umatilla, Ore., and (Maria Louisa) Mario Nampa, Idaho; Garcia, brother Eloy Garcia, Mexico; sisters Rosario Gar-

Soilo Bustillos Garcia cia, Eliselda Garcia, Virginia Garcia, Soledad Garcia, Manuela Gar-

dren Evian, Elle, Soilo, Eva and Alexus; and numerous nieces nephews.

Soilo was preceded in death by wife, Lidia his Espino Garcia, and his parents.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held on Tuesday, October 16, 2018, at 7 p.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel, Hermiston, Oregon.

Mass of Christian burial will be held on Wednesday, October 17, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, Hermiston, Oregon.

Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery.

Please sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

Charles Leon Howard

"Hunk, a Hunk of Burning Charles Leon Howard finished his mortal mission

ing down a 5-point elk, bowling a 300, serving in the mil-

"Chuckie" born March 26,

never threw away a T-shirt. However, Chuckie affect his ability to make

entertain family. His greatest loves were family, friends, God, country, WWE, old westerns, and STUFF. Clean his room and he threatened to "take you down." Turn the channel? You better run. Throw anything away and Love."

We're reminded of Chuckie through his beautiful art, unfaltering faith, example to all, and

ability to pick the winning team usually the one winning or wearing white.

Chuckie is survived by too many friends and extended family to name and is joyfully reunited with his dad, Cecil Howard Sr., mom Jessie Howard (Peel), sister Frances Howard, and brothers Cecil Howard Jr. (Carla) and Buddy Howard.

His surviving never let Down syndrome ters include Lily Morriss (William) and Marie Noll (Gary) and brothers Don Howard and Alan Howard

A service to celebrate Chuckie's life is scheduled for October 19, 2018, at 6:00 p.m. at 3305 W. Kuna Road, Kuna, Idaho. Graveside services will be at noon Saturday, October 20, 2018, at the Hermiston Cemetery, 407 Christian-

"Thank you, thank you very much. Elvis has left

Arrangements by Burns iston.com.

Ida May Serface

Hermiston January 1, 1932 - October 8, 2018

Ida May Serface was born January 1, 1932, in Cooperstown, N.D., the daughter of Maynard and Clara (Stevens) Sansburn.

She passed away near Hermiston on October 8, 2018, at the age of 86. Ida moved

with her family to

Colville, Washington, for a short time before settling east Serface of Portland. She attended Corbett Grade School and graduated from Lincoln High School in the class of 1951. She married Thomas H. Serface Jr. in Stevenson, Wash., on February 16, 1952. The couple lived in Milwaukie, Bonneville Dam, East Lane

County on the McKen-

zie River and Sweet Home

before settling in Hermis-

ton in 1974.

Ida and Thomas were round dance instructors and also enjoyed square dancing. She served as a Brownie leader and volunteered for the Smart Reading Program at local schools for many years. She was a member of the Columbia Grange #867. She also enjoyed gardening, traveling, needlework, was an excellent seamstress, cook and baker, and loved her cats and dogs.

She is survived her

husband of 66 years. Thomas; daughters Diane (BJ Whelan) Serface and Paula (Mike) McKay; son Dan Serface; one grand-

daughter, Morgan Wadlow (Bryan) great-grandchildren Royce Wadlow and Margaret Wadlow and sisters Leila Kersten and Lorraine Hall.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother Laurence, and sister Clarella Meldorf.

A memorial service will be held at 12 p.m. (noon) Saturday, October 27, 2018 in the Burns Mortuary chapel, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston, Ore. Following the memorial service a luncheon will be served for family and friends at the Columbia Grange, 32339 Diagonal Road, Hermiston, Ore.

Family suggest memorial donations to either Vange John Memorial Hospice or to Humane Society of Eastern Oregon Pet Rescue.

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piano player for Living

Faith Ministries and for

events.

Lavelle

of her grandson's country

band LANCO. She loved

seeing Brandon debut at the

Grand Ole Opry in Tennes-

see and attended many con-

certs, being the number one

love of Jesus, family, and

Sheryl Lancaster; son-in-

law Keith Lancaster; grand-

children Devon Lancaster

and Brandon Lancaster;

and granddaughter-in-law

Tiffany Trotter Lancaster.

Additional surviving rela-

tives include a sister, Del-

pha Mills, and many neph-

her husband and two sons

service will be held October

20, 2018, at Stokes Landing

Senior Center in Irrigon,

may contribute to the min-

istry she helped start and

loved, Lancaster Christian

Academy, Markham-Part-

low Scholarship Fund, at

150 Soccer Way, Smyrna,

In lieu of flowers, you

She will be buried with

A Celebration of Life

ews and nieces.

in Irrigon, Oregon.

Oregon, at 4:00 p.m.

immeasurable kindness.

She was known for her

She will be greatly missed by her daughter,

LANCO fan.

Mrs. Partlow was the

LifePoint's Senior

service. She played

for the Smyrna

Senior Center and

contributed to sev-

eral other local

attending concerts

In recent years,

enjoyed

Lavelle E. Partlow

Smyrna, Tenn. March 11, 1926 - July 31, 2018

campus.

Lavelle Partlow, 92, went to be with the Lord July 31, 2018.

She was born in Pendleton, Oregon, March 11,

1926, to Myrtle and Marshall Markham. She was raised in Eastern Oregon and graduated from Irrigon High School and Northwest University in Kirkland, Washington.

Partlow She is preceded in death by her hus-Albert Partlow, three-month-old son Terry Partlow and another son who died at birth. She is

also preceded in death by her sister Marlene Berg, nephews Ronald Berg and Rick Mills, and parents Myrtle and Marshall

Markham.

Lavelle was raised in Irrigon, Oregon, with her parents and two sisters. After graduation, she traveled as a missionary. Additionally, she worked at the Army Depot in Umatilla, Oregon, and became the

postmaster of Irrigon, Ore-

gon, where she served for

most of her adult life. Lavelle was known for her musical talent and enjoyed being the church pianist for First Baptist, Hermiston First Christian, weddings, and many local events. She also served in the annual Irrigon Watermelon Festival and

community. In 2008, Lavelle and her husband, Albert Partlow, moved to Smyrna, Tennessee, to be near her daughter and family.

devoted much time to the

In Smyrna, she was an important part of Lancaster She helped start the academy, served in the school's office and pur-

Academy.



TN 37167.







Hermiston

March 26, 1956 - October 5,2018

on October 5, 2018, at the age of 62 and is making shots from half court, tak-

itary, and catching 8-pound bass. was

1956, to Cecil and Jessie (Peel) Howard, the youngest of 8 children. He "scooped the poop" (septic tank business), knew where everything was, created smoothie concoctions, hoarded cardboard,

a friend, lead a choir, and



and Howard

he'd retrieve it.

However, his greatest love was Elvis (a cute girl was a close second). He was the original "Hound Dog." And yes, we are "Lonesome Tonight." He is "Always on our Mind," would ask us to please "Don't Be Cruel," and simply "Love me Tender." We will always remember our



(Janis).

sen Loop, Hermiston, Ore.

the building."

Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon. To leave a condolence for the family, go to www.burnsmortuarvherm-

Joan Lavon (Heumphreus) George

Hermiston

July 7, 1932 - October 15, 2018

We said our last goodbye this week as our mom, Joan George, slipped away on a quiet journey home after livwith cancer for two years. She leaves behind nine grieving children, many grandchildren and great-grandchildren,

extended family. Mom was born July 7, 1932, in Cozad, Nebraska, the second of four daughters. The family moved west to Umatilla then Walla Walla and our tomboy mom lived



family life adventurously during the Prohibition era, the Great Depression and WWII. She married our dad, Mack George, in 1951 and thus began adventures of another kind.

She said she always wanted a dozen children and she came close.

Along with raising her family, Mom also traveled to various, semi-remote locations with our dad who worked a construction crew, which provided power lines and substations through-

out the Pacific Northwest. Not much in their lives was easy

After settling in Hermiston in 1961, Mom worked several part-time jobs and eventually ended her working career at Lamb Weston in the tool room. She enjoyed her work and especially enjoyed her co-workers.

Joan was a long-time member of Grace Baptist Church, and her church family was as dear to her as she was to them.

Our mom was tender-hearted and always gave of herself to friends and the community in addition to always being there for her family. She volunteered at Agape House, the Community Dinners program and, her pet projects, made Easter baskets for area kids and filled hundreds of shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Joan was preceded in

death by her husband, Mack, and grandson Brian George. She is survived by her children: Deborah George, Michael George, Dana Nunez and husband Cesar, Richard George, Steven George, Tony George and wife Brandi, Chris George and wife Soon, Jeff George and Tangie and, finally, David George.

A memorial service will be held at Grace Baptist Church on Saturday, October 20 at 10 a.m.



