

OBITUARIES

Joyce Marie Tompkins

Wallowa

February 28, 1953 - October 25, 2018

Joyce Marie Tompkins was born February 18, 1953, in Albany, Ore., to Charles and Ilene Tompkins. Joyce passed away at Wallowa Memorial Hospital on October 25, 2018.



Tompkins

Joyce lived in the Albany/Lebanon area before moving to Fort Rock at the age of seven. She attended Fort Rock Elementary and Paisley High School. In 1971, she graduated from high school as the Jr./Sr. prom queen and class valedictorian. Joyce went on to study nursing at Eastern Oregon State College and OIT.

Joyce helped with farm harvest and did office and CNA work during her summers of college. She became disabled in her early 20s. She lived several places, with her last residences being Pendleton, La Grande and Wallowa.

Joyce had many interests and enjoyed listening to music and singing, cooking, knitting, crocheting, embroidery, coloring, and flowers. Her faith in God was important to her.

Joyce loved her family

and friends very much and was conscientious about keeping in touch with those far away. Her sweet, thoughtful spirit and generosity will be remembered by many. Joyce had a good sense of humor and loved to laugh.

Joyce is survived by her mother, Ilene Tompkins of Hermiston, Ore.; siblings David Tompkins of Yakima, Wash., Charles Neal Tompkins of Everett, Wash., Judy Tompkins of Hermiston, Ore., and Cheryl Faulk of La Grande, Ore. She is also survived by numerous nieces, nephews, great-nieces and -nephews, and various other relatives. She was preceded in death by her father, Charles Tompkins, in 2000 and her sister-in-law, Patricia Tompkins, in 2002.

A Celebration of Life will be held on November 10, 2018, at 3 p.m. at Hermiston Church of the Nazarene, 1520 W. Orchard Avenue, Hermiston, Ore. A reception will follow.

Online condolences can be made to Bollman Funeral Home at bollmanfh@frontier.com.

Nellie M. (Moore) Berry

Hermiston

October 6, 1926 - October 26, 2018

Nellie M. (Moore) Berry was born on October 6, 1926, in Hermiston, Oregon, to parents Tom and Nellie Goodwin Moore. She died on October 26, 2018, at her home in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 92 years.



Berry

Nellie was raised and attended schools in Stanfield and Hermiston, Oregon. She was united in marriage to Warren Rust on October 11, 1940, and they had two daughters, Sharon and Debra. Nellie worked for the Forest Service, at the Umatilla Army Depot and in maintenance at the McNary Dam for several years before retiring. Warren preceded her in death in 2002. Nellie married Clyde Morgan Berry in 2006 and he preceded her in death in 2010.

She was a member of NARFE, the Good Sam Club, Hermiston Bowling League and had served as a Blue Bird and Camp Fire leader as well as grand marshal of the Umatilla Fair Parade.

Nellie enjoyed crafts, playing cards, fishing,

hunting, camping, and traveling to Yuma, Arizona, to snowbird for several years. She loved spending time with her family and was a wonderful mom.

She is survived by her daughters Sharon Earhart, Forest Grove, Ore., and Debra Gardner, Weston, Ore.; adopted children Lucky and Joan Myrick; sister-in-law Marilyn Hiatt, Ontario, Ore.; grandchildren Denise and Donald; special friend and caregiver Melinda Earll; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Nellie was preceded in death by her husbands, Warren Rust and Clyde Berry, her parents, and siblings Bob, Myrtle, Pearl, Lee and Mary.

A private burial will be at the Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

People who wish may make contributions in Nellie's memory to Alzheimer's Research.

Please sign the online condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

C. Kaye McAtee

Echo

November 29, 1932 - October 27, 2018

C. Kaye McAtee was born on November 29, 1932, in Pendleton, Oregon, to parents Cyril G. and Doris Done McAtee. He died on October 27, 2018, at his home in Echo, Oregon, at the age of 85 years.



McAtee

Kaye was raised in Pendleton and then Echo, Oregon, where he attended school and graduated in the class of 1950. He served in the United States Army and was stationed in Alaska until his honorable discharge when he returned to Echo, Oregon.

Kaye attended Oregon State for a year before transferring to Oregon Tech, where he earned his bachelor of science in agriculture. He was united in marriage to Jessie Boyer on June 18, 1959, in Pasco, Washington. They leased and operated a farm outside of Echo, Oregon, and helped other area farmers with custom harvesting for many years until he went to work for Glenn Rohde's farm, where he was still working at the time of his death.

He enjoyed fishing, sports, working and visiting with family and friends. Kaye was involved in many community organizations, including serving on the Echo School Board for over 25 years, Echo Fire Dept. Board, Echo Cemetery Board, Little League president and coach. He received the Conservationist of the Year award in 1972 for his

farming practices. Kaye had an extraordinary memory with a wealth of local history and knowledge that he was always excited to share.

He is survived by his wife of 59 years, Jessie McAtee, Echo, Ore.; daughters Donna (Fred) Bradbury, Pendleton, Ore., Brenda (Larry) Hunter, Echo, Ore., and Pamela Haney, Baker City, Ore.; sons Ted (Sharon) McAtee, Pendleton, Ore., Robert (BJ) McAtee, Echo, Ore., and Scott McAtee, Pilot Rock, Ore.; 10 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Kaye was preceded in death by his parents, son Greg McAtee, grandson Tyler Campbell, and a brother, Larry McAtee.

A celebration of life service will be held on Friday, November 9, 2018, at 11 a.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel, Hermiston, Oregon. Burial with military honors will follow at the Echo Cemetery, Echo, Oregon.

Those who wish may make contributions in Kaye's memory to the Tyler Campbell Memorial Scholarship Fund c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

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Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Janet F. Detwiler

Umatilla

November 26, 1959 - October 27, 2018

Janet F. Detwiler of Umatilla, Oregon, was born on November 26, 1959, in Mexico, Missouri, to parents Joseph and Doris Hovinghoff Albright. She died on October 27, 2018, in Umatilla, Oregon, at the age of 58 years.



Detwiler

She was raised and attended school in Umatilla, Oregon. Janet was united in marriage to Terry Detwiler on November 24, 1990, in Umatilla, Oregon. They lived in Baker City, Oregon, and later Kalispell, Montana, before returning to Umatilla, Oregon.

Janet worked as the manager at the Hermiston Shari's Restaurant and as a waitress at Frasus Restaurant. She worked in the billing department at Family Health Associates for several years until 2014.

Janet enjoyed reading, church, collecting rocks, drawing and making salsa. She was a very caring person who had a huge heart and loved all animals.

She is survived by her husband, Terry Detwiler,

Umatilla, Ore.; mother Doris O'Dell, Umatilla, Ore.; brother Michael (Veronica) Albright, Hermiston, Ore.; sister Jo Anne Schiffner, Salem, Ore.; aunt Greta Lee, Portland, Ore., uncle and aunt Bob and Ethel Ferger, Richland, Wash., aunt Sheila Hovinghoff, Lyle, Wash., and aunt Gracie Mills, Irrigon, Ore.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Janet was preceded in death by her son, Travis Adams; father Joseph Albright; stepfather Art O'Dell; and uncles Royal and Paul Hovinghoff.

A celebration of life service was held on Friday, November 2, 2018, at 1 p.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel, Hermiston, Oregon. A private family burial will be at Sunset Hills Cemetery, Umatilla, Oregon.

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Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Ruth M. Engum

Echo

August 2, 1929 - October 29, 2018

Ruth M. Engum of Echo, Oregon, was born on August 2, 1929, in Boise, Idaho, to parents Preston and Bessie Fosdick Carter. She died at the age of 92 on October 29, 2018, in Pendleton.



Engum

Ruth was raised and attended schools in Pinehurst, Idaho, graduating from Kellogg (Idaho) High School in 1943. After serving with the federal government in Washington, D.C., during WWII, Ruth returned to Spokane and attended Holy Names College, where she met her husband, James John Engum, who was attending Gonzaga. They were married June 5, 1948, in Kellogg, Idaho. They lived in several Northwest cities before moving to Echo, Oregon, in the late '80s, where she has lived since.

She worked for the Department of the Army at the Umatilla Army Depot in 1965, and retired in 1987. She received many awards for superior performance and was noted to have "exhibited outstanding versatility in a wide range of positions." Upon her retirement they hoped to sail around the world in a sailboat they were building. They launched their 38-foot ketch and sailed to the Port of Victoria, living aboard for several months in the Puget Sound before returning to McNary Marina due to her husband's health issues.

Ruth was a lifelong learner, taking many

classes at BMCC. At the age of 70 she signed herself up (via the newly created internet) for a full-immersion Spanish study experience in Guatemala. She was a skilled seamstress, knitter and quilter, studied oil painting, pit-fired pottery, wrote short stories and was a master HAM radio operator. She loved cooking, canning and making fudge and other candies for her family and friends. Ruth always had several dogs, and generally a cat or two.

She was an active member of Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church in Hermiston.

Her children survive her: Joseph (Karin Power) Pendleton, Ore.; Carter (Bonita, "Bonnie"), Stanfield, Ore.; Michael (Vancouver, Wash.) and Dorothy "Dori" Engum of Hermiston. She had nine grandchildren and many great-grandchildren. Her husband, parents and siblings preceded her in death.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held Saturday, November 3, 2018, at 2 p.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston, Ore., followed by Mass of Christian Burial. Burial followed at Pleasant View Cemetery, Stanfield, Oregon.

Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

DEATHS

Thomas E. 'Beenie' Beenblossom

Hermiston

March 3, 1946 - Nov. 2, 2018

Thomas E. "Beenie" Beenblossom, 72, of Hermiston died Friday, Nov. 2, 2018, at his home. He was born March 3, 1946, in Cozad, Nebraska. A celebration of life service will be held Friday, Nov. 9 at 3 p.m. at Burns Mortuary chapel in Hermiston. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Kathy L. Grissom

Hermiston

July 11, 1942 - Nov. 4, 2018

Kathy L. Grissom, 76, of Hermiston died Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018, at her home. She was born July 11, 1942, in Kokomo, Indiana. Arrangements are pending with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

William 'Bill' Lamb

Hermiston

Dec. 5, 1928 - Oct. 25, 2018

William "Bill" Lamb, 89, of Hermiston died Thursday, Oct. 25, 2018, in Hermiston. He was born Dec. 5, 1928, in Taos, New Mexico. A celebration of life service with military honors will be held Sunday, Nov. 4 at 2 p.m. at Eastern Oregon Trade & Event Center in Hermiston. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. To leave an online condolence for the family, go to burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Ruth L. Wayman

Hermiston

May 3, 1928 - Nov. 4, 2018

Ruth L. Wayman, 90, of Hermiston died Sunday, Nov. 4, 2018, in Hermiston. She was born May 3, 1928, in Oroville, California. A family burial will be held at a later date in California. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

DEATHS

Andrea C. Roberts

Irrigon

June 9, 1972 - Oct. 26, 2018

Andrea C. Roberts, 46, of Irrigon died Friday, Oct. 26, 2018, at her home. She was born June 9, 1972, in Caldwell, Idaho. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Michael James Wilson

Hermiston

July 4, 1956 - Nov. 1, 2018

Michael James Wilson, 62, of Hermiston died Thursday, Nov. 1, 2018, outside Echo as a result of a motorcycle accident. He was born July 4, 1956, in Hermiston, Ore. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

David G. Nagle

Hermiston

April 24, 1947 - Oct. 28, 2018

David G. Nagle, 71, of Hermiston died Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2018, in Richland, Wash. He was born April 24, 1947, in Yakima, Wash. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

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