

## OBITUARIES

**Daniel Ernest 'Dannie' Walchli**

Hermiston

November 1, 1967 — February 12, 2020

Daniel Ernest "Dannie" Walchli was born on November 1, 1967, to Clinton Patrick "Skip" and Sherry Walchli. He left this earth peacefully at home surrounded by the love of his family and friends, far too soon, on Wednesday, February 12, 2020, at the age of 52. After fighting like a warrior for over 10 years, he knew it was time to finally let his body and mind rest.



Walchli

Dannie was born a farmer, to a farmer, who was born a farmer as well. It was in his blood and was his true calling in life. He loved the land and what he could produce from it.

By the age of 3, he refused to stay back in the house when work was to be done. He wanted to be in the fields. He was happiest in the dirt. Whether it was playing with toy tractors, learning to drive a flatbed in the asparagus field by age 6, riding motorbikes or four-wheelers, hoeing watermelon vines, changing irrigation pipe, planting, checking moisture levels in potato fields, swathing, baling, harvesting any crop, or simply driving around the farm to show others what he considered to be "God's country," his passion for the land never wavered. If you were fortunate enough to spend time on one of his "tours," you were blessed to see the pride he took in the life he cherished.

Dannie respected his parents and grandparents like few people have the capacity to do. They, and Uncle John Walchli, were often credited with having taught him so much more than farming. His loyalty to family and the continuing success of the farm were what drove him. Though he was very athletic and competitive in sports, such as football, track and weightlifting, his true desire was to excel in his education in high school and college. He was very active in FFA as well. He felt that organization impacted him in great ways, and encouraged many others to take advantage of the benefits of being a part of it as well.

He graduated from Hermiston High School in 1985, and Oregon State University via Eastern Oregon University in La Grande in 1990. While the pride he took in being a key player on both sides of the ball while winning at football his senior year against rival Pendleton (after a 62-year drought) was something he carried with him his entire life, he was even more proud of the difficult classes he mastered, and being the only sibling of seven to complete his bachelor's degree. He used his knowledge to keep pushing the farm forward whenever he could in the ever-changing industry.

He was the respected voice in the family, as technology and practices marched forward in a way that sometimes seemed foreign to the generation before him. He was trusted to bring in changes that sometimes were an uphill battle, but always benefited the farm.

In 1986 Dannie met Karen Hofmann, whom he professed in a bio he wrote to be "the love of his life." The city girl was quickly wooed by his blue eyes, quick smile, and gentlemanly manner — not to mention that really cool red Chevy pickup he was so proud of!

They married in July of 1988, settled on the farm and never looked back. Rural life was an adjustment for her, but proved to be the best decision of her life.

Together they welcomed

four amazing children: Katie in 1990, Brenna in 1993, Jared (JD) in 1995, and Luke in 1999.

Dannie was an incredibly loving and giving father.

He may not have had as much time as some dads, but quality always made up for quantity. He was always willing to take the kids along to check water, ride in a swather, baler, combine or other farm equipment.

Many of the trips with Dad included ice cream after. As they got older they weren't sure if it was really a treat for them, or if he was just using them as an excuse to get some for himself!

It was one of the traditions he continued when his first grandchild was born. Kadence will miss those treats with Papa.

He was proud of all the kids and loved to watch them play their many sports, help them with homework, talk with them about their goals, see them work hard on the farm each summer, or give them lectures on life when he could get them in a car for a road trip. Many lessons were learned on those drives, and appreciated to this day by his sons and daughters.

His grandchildren brought him endless joy. We will all miss hearing him try to get the babies to "say Paaa-Paaaaa" from the moment they were born.

He spent his life cultivating more than just the crops. He had a steadfast desire to improve the farming industry. He served on many boards over his lifetime: the Umatilla County Weed Board, Pendleton Grain Growers Board, Stanfield Irrigation Board, Oregon Potato Commission, National Potato Council, U.S. Potato Board, and the Potato Variety Management Institute. He had continued to serve on most of these boards until the end of his life. He was highly respected by many in the industry for his wisdom, insight and perspectives.

"He is not replaceable and will be missed," said Gary Roth, Oregon Potato Commission executive director.

Dan is survived by his wife Karen; daughter Katie (Andrew), daughter Brenna (Brandon), son Jared "JD" (Caitlynn), and son Luke (Courtney); granddaughters Kadence, Henley and June, and a soon-to-be-born grandson; mother Sherry Walchli; brothers Bobby (Rachelle), Patrick (Nancy) and Donnie (Karie); sisters Sherie Marie (Marty) and Judy (Curtis); 19 nieces and nephews; and 10 great-nieces and -nephews. He was preceded in death by his grandparents Ernest and Pauline Walchli and John and Marion Vernon, his father Skip Walchli, sister Cindy, and one great-niece.

A celebration of life will be held for Dan on Sunday, February 23 at 1 p.m. in the Hermiston High School commons.

Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. Viewing will be held on Thursday, February 20 at Burns Mortuary in Hermiston from 4-7 p.m.

For those wishing to make donation in lieu of flowers, a fund is being set up to award a scholarship for area agricultural students.

The family requests those to be sent to the Daniel Walchli Memorial Fund in care of Burns Mortuary, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Please share memories of Dannie with his family at [burnsmortuaryhermiston.com](http://burnsmortuaryhermiston.com).

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

**Jaunita May Schultz**

Irrigon

February 11, 1941 — February 14, 2020

Jaunita May Schultz of Irrigon, Oregon, was born on February 11, 1941, in Colville, Washington, to parents Ed and Alice Smith Wagner. She passed away on February 14, 2020, at Sacred Heart Hospital in Spokane, Washington, at the age of 79 years.



Schultz

Jaunita was raised and attended schools in Marcus, Washington, before graduating from Marcus High School in Kettle Falls, Washington, in 1959. She moved to Hermiston, Oregon, and met her future husband, Dennis Schultz. They were married on May 20, 1961, in Hermiston, Oregon. They have lived in Hermiston and Irrigon for the past 59 years.

Jaunita was a stay-at-home mom and kept active volunteering in Little League Baseball and with Christmas Express for over 25 years. After Dennis retired, they spent many years RVing with friends and lots of time camping and fishing around the country. Jaunita enjoyed RVing, camping, fishing

and word search puzzles. She was a longtime member of the Eagles Lodge #2909 where she cooked for the Kiwanis lunches and the many dinners that the Eagles hosted.

She is survived by her husband of 58 years, Dennis Schultz, Irrigon, Ore.; Mike and Priscilla Schultz, Hermiston, Ore.; sister Beverly Pavel, Kennewick, Wash.; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Jaunita was preceded in death by her daughter Patty Schultz; infant daughter Sylvia Schultz; mother Alice Boggess; father Ed Wagner; brothers Bill and Roy; and sister Lavern.

A funeral service will be held on Friday, February 21, 2020, at 1 p.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston, Oregon. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

Please share memories of Jaunita at [burnsmortuaryhermiston.com](http://burnsmortuaryhermiston.com). Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

**Carl Herbert Palmer**

Hermiston

October 28, 1935 — February 13, 2020

Carl Herbert Palmer, 84, of Hermiston, Oregon, passed February 13, 2020, peacefully with family by his side.

Carl H. Palmer was born October 28, 1935, in Oregon City, Oregon, the son of Cora Adele and John Lewis Palmer. Carl was the second youngest of 15 siblings. On October 14, 1955, he married Alice Arlene Akins at the Presbyterian Church in Springwater, Oregon.

Carl started C.H. Palmer Roofing, Siding and Insulation business in Redmond, Oregon, in 1964 and moved his business to Hermiston in 1969. He taught his children what hard work was all about. Many family members and kids' friends worked with Carl. Carl had a reputation of quality workmanship and excellent customer service. He was known for his sense of humor and stickler for perfection. Carl sold his roofing business in the 1990s.

Carl remodeled the Kiddi-Korner with his wife Alice and together they ran the restaurant for many years. He liked serving patrons, visiting with them while Alice cooked. As many know the Kiddi-Korner was a place to visit and relax with a full belly.

Carl loved to hunt and fish. Hunting on the North Fork of the John Day River, many fishing

trips in Eastern Oregon Lakes, rivers, and streams along with annual salmon trips, or smelt fishing were common with the family.

Many of his kids' friends were treated like family and would soon find themselves welcomed at campsites whether it was fishing, hunting or riding motorcycles in the mountains.

As a parent he followed the Hermiston wrestling team during the 1970s, traveling with other parents, and again with grandchildren.

Carl Palmer is survived by his wife Alice Arlene Palmer; two brothers, Arthur Lee Palmer and Edward Eldon Palmer; son and daughter-in-law Don Lewis and Lori Ann Palmer; son Michael John Palmer; son Kenneth Roy Palmer; 11 grandchildren; 24 great-grandchildren; and five great-great-grandchildren.

Carl Palmer was preceded in death by his daughter, Beverly Ann Palmer Clinkenbeard; a grandson, Trampis Lee Palmer; a great-grandson, Brok David Palmer; his parents; and 12 siblings.

A graveside service will be held on Saturday, February 22, 2020, at 10 a.m. at Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

Please share memories of Carl with his family at [burnsmortuaryhermiston.com](http://burnsmortuaryhermiston.com). Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

**Malachi Kane 'Mac' Campbell**

Hermiston

July 22, 1929 — February 11, 2020

Malachi Kane "Mac" Campbell, 90, a longtime resident of Hermiston, Oregon, died at his home surrounded by family on February 11, 2020.

Recitation of the Holy Rosary was held on Tuesday, February 18, 2020, at 10:30 a.m. and will be followed by Mass of Christian Burial at 11 a.m. at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, 565 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston, Oregon.

Mac was born on July 22, 1929, in Condon, Oregon, to Irish immigrants Patrick and Kathryn (O'Brien) Campbell. He was raised on a sheep and cattle ranch in Lonerock, Oregon, and it was there that he developed his love for the livestock industry and the people who worked in it, especially sheepherders.

Mac attended grade school in Lonerock, graduated from Heppner High School and later earned an accounting degree from the University of Portland, which he used in his jobs at Rohrman Motors, C&B Livestock, Marlette, and eventually as a farm and ranch real estate broker.

In addition to these jobs, Mac developed his own ranching operation. He was a natural cattleman who had a gentleness that animals responded to. He was referred to as the "cattle whisperer" by his family.

On August 20, 1960, he married Veronica Doherty in Hermiston, Oregon. From that day a lifetime of adventures began.

He had a lifelong interest in education and served as chairman of the Hermiston School District Board and the Blue Moun-

tain Community College Board. He also gave time to other civic organizations. He was involved in his children's activities, everything from tee-ball to 4-H and FFA.

He was a devoted husband who called his wife his "best decision," and a loving father who supported each child's pursuit of his/her own happiness. He was

always available to listen, give an encouraging word, and make his family and friends feel loved.

On almost every Tuesday he could be found at the Northwest Livestock Auction where over the years he developed many strong and lasting friendships.

He had a curious mind and was open to new ideas, and had a strong faith that he lived but never imposed on others. To sum it up, he was a good man.

He was preceded in death by his parents, sisters Patricia Campbell, Martha Baily and Katie Van Schoiack, and brothers John, Peter and Jimmy.

He is survived by his wife, Veronica; children Patrick Campbell, Frances (Mike) Patterson, Tara (Yoji) Mineishi, Peter Campbell, Sarah Campbell and Kara Campbell; granddaughter Ava Mineishi; brother Tom Campbell; and numerous nephews and nieces.

In lieu of flowers, contributions in Mac's memory may be made to Vange John Memorial Hospice education fund.

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**Colleen Kaye Winters**

Raymond, Washington

October 27, 1952 — February 3, 2020

Colleen Kaye Winters passed away on February 3, 2020, in Raymond, Washington. She was born on October 27, 1952, in Sacramento, California, to Richard and Flora (Foren) Sheehan.

In 1970 Colleen graduated from John Marshall High School in Portland, Oregon. Colleen married Colin Winters on September 20, 1975, in Portland, Oregon. Colin died in 2017.

Colleen moved to Eastern Oregon in 1991 with her husband and children. There she continued to work in the banking industry.

Colleen enjoyed sitting in the sunshine, shopping, particularly for antiques, and collecting owls. She also enjoyed watching MLB baseball and "Jeop-

ardy." Nothing brought Colleen more joy than spending time with her grandchildren.

Colleen was preceded in death by her sister Jennifer Cianni, husband Colin, and granddaughter Maeva.

Colleen is survived by her son Andrew and wife Sabrina Winters, daughter Maegan and husband Rudd Skoubo, sister Peggy Jester, and four grandchildren: Chelsea, Andrew, Alyssa and Reid.

A funeral service was held Monday, February 17, 2020, at 11 a.m. at St. Henry Catholic Church, 346 N.W. First St. in Gresham, Oregon. Colleen will be buried next to her husband Colin at Wilamette National Cemetery in Portland, Oregon.


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