

OBITUARIES

Kervyn L. Harned

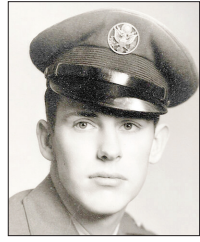
Pendleton

February 15, 1931 — October 1, 2020

Kervyn L. Harned passed on October 1, 2020, at his home in Pendleton, surrounded by his loving family. He was born on February 15, 1931, in Baker, Oregon, to Lawrence Wayne Harned and Vesta Lenore (Gibbs) Harned.



Harned



He grew up on his family farm on Wolf Creek, 7 miles from North Powder, Oregon. He learned all aspects of farming and ranching from his father. While in his teens, he and his father spent one summer manning the fire lookout and fighting fires above what is now Anthony Lakes Ski Area. He also took a job in the kitchen at Anthony Lakes assisting the Swedish cook and ski expert, who taught him to ski.

Kervyn's mother taught him many things about life and parenting, as well as a love for music, as she both sang and played piano beautifully. He played alto saxophone in high school, but also picked up both piano from his mom, and fiddle from his uncle. The three of them played in a dance band together. He also played his sax in the Air Force Band in one of the many bands from around the world that played for the coronation of Queen Elizabeth II.

Naturally mechanical, Kervyn loved cars, machines, fixing things and building. When he was 16, he wired his family home using a guidebook from Sears! In 1976, he did much of the work to build his young family a new home. His formal education began at Muddy Creek, a one-room schoolhouse. He completed primary and secondary school in North Powder, Oregon, graduating in 1950.

Kervyn worked locally until entering the Air Force in August of 1951 to serve for four years. Basic training was at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas. He received specialized training in flight instruments at Aberdeen Proving Ground, in Baltimore, Maryland. He served at joint British Royal Air Force/U.S. Air Force Burtonwood Base, outside Warrington, England, for 18 months as a flight instruments technician. Stateside, he was stationed at Sampson Air Force Base, New York. Upon request, in his off-duty hours, he served the state of New York as an auxiliary patrolman on the new expressway. He received his honorable discharge from the Air Force on August 14, 1955.

Returning to the Northwest, Kervyn worked for Georgia Pacific Board Mill in Pilot Rock as a double trimmer operator for five years until he married. In Pilot Rock he lived with Claude and Bertha Smith, and their children, who became a second family to him.

On September 26, 1960, Kervyn married Margaret Ann Ransier. He worked the large Ransier wheat ranch near Echo for 10 years, where they had two daughters. Upon moving his family to Pendleton, he worked for John Deere for a year and was then hired by the

state of Oregon. He worked for the maintenance department at the Eastern Oregon State Hospital for many years, going to night school at BMCC to receive his certification in sheet metal fabrication.

During the transition to EOCI, he was foreman of the demolition team. He then continued rising within their maintenance department to retire as maintenance supervisor for the physical plant in December of 1992, having worked for the state for 22 years. He continued to work some after retirement and one co-worker called him the strongest man he had ever known.

Kervyn was very involved in his community through the Masons, Job's Daughters and the Shriners. He was raised to a 32nd degree Mason through the Scottish Rite order, in which he was very active with degree work for many years.

He was a past master of the Masonic Lodge No. 40 in Echo, Oregon, twice, as well as being a past master of the Pendleton Masonic Lodge No. 52. He was also district deputy of the Blue Lodge for several years. He joined his wife in Eastern Star for a time before her work with the Daughters of the Nile. Kervyn served in Job's Daughters Bethel #12 as associate Bethel guardian several terms, where both daughters ultimately served as honored queens. He was also voted to serve as the Oregon grand associate Bethel guardian for Job's Daughters at state. He was much beloved by the "Jobies" girls, and these 12 years working with them were some of his fondest memories.

Because of his many years of exemplary service, the Scottish Rite's honorary 33rd Degree was bestowed upon Kervyn, for major contributions to Masonry and his community. He also joined the Shrine and worked many years with this philanthropic order to assist the many Shriners Hospitals for Children all over the world.

Kervyn is survived by his beloved wife of 60 years, and favorite dance partner, Margaret Ann. Also, LeAnne Kay and Rod Gene Petrone and LaRene Dee Harned-Suarez and Victor Raul Suarez Jr., grandson Draellan Nesta Harned-Suarez and granddaughters Zoey Amalia (Petrone) Barton and Julia Victoria Petrone, and son-in-law Corey Daniel Barton. He taught his daughters and grandchildren many skills and values, including integrity, service, his love of the outdoors, how to build a fire and how to fish, just to name a few.

In honor of Kervyn's life of service, donations may be made in his name to Shriners Hospital for Children, a non-profit organization that provides life saving surgeries and care for children at no cost.

A memorial will be announced and held, when all can attend safely, at the First Presbyterian Church in Pendleton.

Robert LeRoy 'Bob' Stevens

Baker City

July 13, 1935 — October 7, 2020

Robert LeRoy "Bob" Stevens, 85, of Baker City, Oregon, and a former resident of Hermiston, Oregon, passed away on October 7, 2020, at his residence.

Bob was born on July 13, 1935, in Libby, Montana, to George Allan Stevens and Catherine Adell Milner. Bob was in the United States Navy from 1952-1956 and was ranked Damage Control Second Class. During his time in the Navy, Bob received several awards.

In 1960, Bob received his GED in Pendleton, Oregon. He also received training for physical security. After leaving the service, Bob worked at the Umatilla Army Depot from 1956 until 1975 and received several commendations for outstanding service in his position. In 1975 Bob went to work for the DM Carroll Trucking and Fredrickson Trucking until his retirement in 1995.

On June 19, 1957, Bob married Clarice June Carroll in Hermiston, Oregon. Together they raised two children, Tammy and Phillip. Bob was a resident of Hermiston/Umatilla County for 55-plus years.

In 2013 Bob and Clarice moved to Baker City to be closer to their daughter.

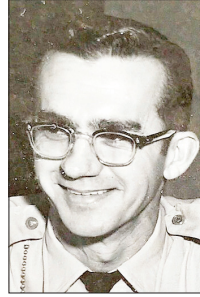
While living in Baker City, Bob joined the Eagles and Baker City VFW. He also enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, woodworking, and collecting and shooting guns.

Bob is survived by his wife, Clarice J. Stevens of Baker City, Oregon; son Phillip A. Stevens (Chris) of Baker City, Oregon; daughter Tammy L. Smietana (Mike) of Baker City, Oregon; grandchildren Stacey Dunley and her family in Wyoming, Jeremy Stevens and his family in Nebraska, and special granddaughter Andrea (Josh) Kennedy and a special great-granddaughter, Cameron Woll, both of Hermiston, Oregon; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is preceded in death by his father, George Stevens, and mother, Catherine McCall; two brothers, Donald Stevens and Richard (Dick) Stevens; and a sister, Betty Stevens.

Memorial contributions in Bob's memory may be made to Best Friends of Baker City through Gray's West & Company, 1500 Dewey Ave. Baker City, OR 97814.

To leave an online condolence for the family of Bob, please visit www.grayswestco.com.



Stevens



Edith Marie Collins Johnson

Irrigon

November 25, 1938 — September 23, 2020

Edith Marie Collins Johnson, 81, of Irrigon, Oregon, was born on November 25, 1938, in La Boca, La Plata County, Colorado, to parents Elmer George Cox and Edith Marie Johnson. She was called to her celestial home on September 23, 2020, in Hermiston, Oregon.

Marie, as most knew her, settled down and made her home in beautiful Union County, Oregon, at the base of the Blue Mountains. Here, she would settle down and raise her four children until divorce forced her to relocate.

In 1988, she married George Arnold Johnson and they made their home in Meacham, Oregon. Many years were spent on the mountain making cherished memories of sledding, building snowmen, riding snowmobiles, swimming in the creek and picking huckleberries for huckleberry pancakes with her grandchildren.

She was an active member of the Salvation Army Church, The Eagles Lodge, The American Legion Ladies Auxiliary and The VFW Auxiliary.

Upon the death of her husband, Mrs. Johnson relocated to Pendleton, Oregon, and later to Irrigon, Oregon, where she lived with family until she was called home.

Mrs. Johnson enjoyed teaching the young children that visited how to play Chinese checkers or a

good game of Aggravation. She loved playing Solitaire, watching old Western movies, reading books and gossiping to her many family members on the phone.

She is survived by her sons Charles Elmer Collins of Alaska and Michael Wayne Collins of Pendleton, Oregon; brothers George Elmer Cox of Portland, Oregon, Norman Eugene Cox of Vancouver, Washington, Henry "Hank" Wood Cox of Riddle, Oregon, and Walter John Cox of Roseburg, Oregon; sisters Donna Leona Cox and Mina Earlene Cox-South, both of Pendleton, Oregon; and numerous beloved grandchildren, great-grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Marie preceded in death by her parents; husband George Arnold Johnson; daughters Marilyn Marie Collins-McBride and Evelyn Mildred Yaingelou; and sisters Doris Elvia Cox, Mary Ellen Cox Moody, Ruth Evelyn Cox Barret and Sarah Lavelle Cox.

A Celebration of Life gathering with state social distancing guidelines being followed will be held on Saturday, October 17, 2020, at 11 a.m. at Roy Raley Park, 1205 S.W. Court Ave., Pendleton, Oregon.

Please share memories of Marie with her family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.



Johnson

Barbara Jean (Moore) Lynch

King City

December 21, 1923 — September 26, 2020

Barbara Jean (Moore) Lynch passed away on September 26, 2020, at the age of 96. She was born in Yakima, Washington, to Sam and Anita Moore on December 21, 1923.

She lived in Pendleton and Hermiston as a child and graduated from Hermiston High School in 1941. She married Edward J. Lynch in 1943 and, after his passing, married Gerry Whitney in 1982.

She worked for several years as a school secretary and volunteered in numerous groups both at the city, county and state level. She was elected to the Hermiston City Council in 1968 and 1972 and to the Umatilla County Commission in 1974.

In addition to her jobs and volunteer positions, her interests included swimming, golf, tennis, bicycling, bridge, traveling, gardening, reading and tying quilts. Her greatest joy, however, was her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, brother, husbands, and grandson David. She is survived by her son Jim Lynch (Judy); daughter Kathy Gibbons (Jim); granddaughters Melissa Gilley (Sean) and Jill Drach (Peter); and six great-grandchildren: Kate, Alex, Carter, Jenna, Cohen and Tyson.

At her request no service was held. Donations in her memory can be made to the American Cancer Society or the American Heart Association.



Lynch

Kraig Alan Hull

Umatilla

September 1, 1977 — October 4, 2020

Kraig Alan Hull was born Sept. 1, 1977, in The Dalles, Oregon, to Larry and Sharon Hull. Kraig grew-up in Tygh Valley, Oregon, and graduated from Wasco County Union High School in 1995. After high school, Kraig attended Linn Benton Community College in Corvallis and joined Alpha Gamma Rho.

Kraig traveled all over the United States working for Great Southwestern Construction before moving home to Tygh Valley and going to work for Schanno Ranches. During this time he met the love of his life, Melissa Hedman. They were married on Oct. 15, 2015, and made their home in Umatilla. Kraig worked

for the city of Hermiston and was starting his own metal fabrication business.

Kraig will be missed by many that knew and loved him. His unique sense of humor, irrepressible curiosity, creativity and his mechanical abilities will not be forgotten.

He leaves behind his wife, Melissa Hull; mother Sharon Hull; sister Kendyl Hanning and brother-in-law Jake Hanning.

Plans for a memorial service are being postponed to a later date when we can celebrate his life properly.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. To leave an online condolence, go to www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.



Hull

Michael Eugene 'Mike' May

Hermiston

March 31, 1989 — October 5, 2020

Michael Eugene "Mike" May of Hermiston was born March 31, 1989, in Pendleton, Oregon, the son of Kevin and Renee (Barkhurst) May. He passed away in Hermiston on Monday, Oct. 5, 2020, at the age of 31.

Mike lived in Hermiston throughout his childhood where he attended school. He worked in several jobs throughout his career, such as Rick's Car Wash, Walmart, Safeway and the Walmart Distribution Center.

With his most recent job at Columbia Crest Winery he felt he had finally found the job of his dreams.

Mike loved being in the outdoors, was passionate about food and music, enjoyed running and playing video games, and was

a talented artist. He loved going to family get-togethers and spending his time with family and friends.

Mike was a very kind-hearted and thoughtful person.

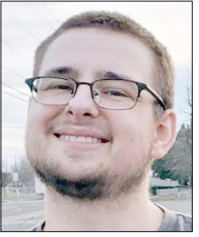
He is survived by his parents, Kevin and Renee May; brothers David and Brandon May; and many extended family members and close friends.

A Celebration of Life will be announced by his family at a later time.

Family suggests memorial donations in Mike's memory be made to either the American Cancer Society or to Vange John Memorial Hospice.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

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May

BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
SEPT. 22, 2020

DOMINGUEZ BENITEZ — Claudia Benitez Arista and Lucio E. Dominguez Umana of Hermiston: a girl, Mia Evelyn Dominguez Benitez.

SEPT. 23, 2020

ERICKSON — McKenzie Estabrook and Austin Erickson of Hermiston: a girl, Emberly Jade Erickson.

SEPT. 24, 2020

PALMER — Rebecca N. Neff and Nathaniel A. Palmer of Irrigon: a girl, Natalia Rose Palmer.

SEPT. 27, 2020

MARKEL — Brittany N. DeDios and Greg A. Markel of Umatilla: a girl, Umatilla Jade Markel.

OCT. 4, 2020

MEJIA — Wendy Flores of McNary: a girl, Eunice Victoria Mejia.

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
OCT. 2, 2020

BEAMER — Brittney Beamer and Aaron Beamer of Hermiston: a boy, Granger Nye Beamer.

COURTS

SENTENCES

PENDLETON — The following sentences have been imposed in Umatilla County courts:

FELONY

- Curtiss Robert Pullum, 52, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Felon in Possession of Firearm: sentenced to 14 months Oregon DOC, 2 years post-prison supervision and \$200 fine.
- Katrina Nicole Capote, 32,

- Umatilla, pleaded guilty to Fleeing or Attempt to Elude Police: sentenced to 18 months probation, 90 sanction units, 30 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service, \$500 fine, \$2,000 fine-suspended and 90 days driver's license suspension, plus court costs and fees.
- Jacob Stan Warren, 25, Umatilla (TRCI), pleaded guilty to two counts of Aggravated Harassment: sentenced to 30 months

- Oregon DOC, 2 years post-prison supervision and \$200 fine-waived for each count.
- Jose Antonio Rosales, 24, Umatilla, pleaded guilty to Possession of Methamphetamine: sentenced to 180 days jail, 1 year post-prison supervision and \$200 fine; pleaded guilty to Resisting Arrest: sentence to discharge.
- Noe Estevan Monreal Jr., 23, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to Felon in Possession of Firearm:

- sentenced to 3 years probation, 180 sanction units, 90 maximum jail units, \$500 fine and \$2,000 fine-suspended; pleaded guilty to Menacing: sentenced to \$100 fine.
- Ajamu Dia Nathan, 23, Umatilla, pleaded guilty to Burglary II: sentenced to 3 years probation, 180 sanction units, 90 maximum jail units, 80 hours community service and restitution