

OBITUARIES

Dick Stanley Jackson

Hermiston

September 15, 1932 — October 18, 2020

Dick Stanley Jackson (known by many as Dr. Dick) was born in Dayton, Washington, on September 15, 1932. He died at home with his wife, Terri, by his side on October 18.



Jackson

He came into this world the second-to-the-last child of Walter and Gertrude Jackson, following his beautiful sisters Wynona, Laura and Grace and his brothers Scott, Grant and Ronald, the youngest. The family lived in various places throughout Washington including Pasco, Richland, Prosser and Sunnyside.



He graduated from Sunnyside High School in 1950 and joined the Navy. He went to boot camp in San Diego, Parachute Rigger School in New Jersey, and spent time in the Philippines.

He married Naley Blaak in 1952 and had five children: Arthur, Ardis, Anthony, Arlene and Alan. They initially settled in Grandview while he worked at Hanford, but he decided to go to college and study entomology, a curiosity and passion that intrigued him since he was a boy and first saw what DDT did to control the flies on the family farm.

He graduated from WSU in Pullman, Washington, in 1957 with his bachelor's degree in just two years and 11 months. He worked for the Department of Entomology at WSU for one year before being hand picked to work for USDA.

The family moved to Hawaii and various other locations. While in Hawaii, he invented the world famous Jackson Trap, which was used worldwide for years and is still in use today. The highlight of his career with USDA was the California MedFly project, in which he eradicated the Mediterranean Fruit Fly with aerial spraying. He led this 18-month project with 1,800 employees, becoming the first successful person to accomplish this after several failed before him. This brought him many government awards and worldwide recognition. He then went to work for Foreign Service and spent time in Mexico and South America, and retired shortly after.

Realizing he was too young to retire, he was approached by his dear friend who was the assistant director for the Oregon Department of Agriculture. Dick went to work for the Ag Department in 1985, and retired from there in 2003.

He met the love of his life, Terri Lee Shelly, on Valentine's Day 1986 in the lumber yard where she worked when he came in for a gallon of paint. It was love at first sight for both of them. They went on their first date that night, and married six years later to the day, in Couer d'Alene, Idaho, on February 14, 1992.

They had almost 35 years

together and had something very special between them, as they were constantly told. Dick's love for Terri was evident in so many ways, especially when he referred to her as "Baby."

They had many adventures together, traveling the world. A favorite destination for them was The Cook Islands, where they visited five times.

In 1988, Dick accepted an assignment to work in Africa eradicating desert locusts, where he spent two months in Mauritania and Senegal. Upon completion of that project, he flew to Portugal to meet Terri, where they spent five weeks traveling through Portugal, Spain, France, Italy, Greece and Egypt, realizing a lifelong dream of his, visiting the pyramids.

On his 81st birthday, after having a double bypass three months prior, they flew to Peru and spent 16 days with 10 of their closest friends visiting Machu Picchu and the Galápagos Islands, where they found one of his Jackson traps. This was a trip of a lifetime for them.

Even though his career was entomology, his passion was collecting and repairing clocks. Many knew him as "The Clock Man."

Dick was a story teller who always had a joke or two ready to share. He was famous for his jokes, most of them not very politically correct, but that was him.

He was known around town as the man with the pretty dogs in his pickup as he drove through town with all their heads out the windows. Terri and Dick were dog lovers during their years together and had a variety of sighthounds, including salukis, whippets, pharaoh hounds, Italian greyhounds, Cirneco Dell Etnas and one springer spaniel. They were their "kids" and they loved and cared for them as such.

Dick touched many lives, from friends, family and employees, and made those around him feel loved and important.

One of his nieces put it well: "Uncle Dick was so smart and well traveled, and he made me feel like a peer, like I had something worthwhile to say."

Donations can be made in his memory to Fuzz Ball Rescue, his favorite local animal rescue, in care of Burns Mortuary.

At his request, there will be no service.

Please share memories of Dick with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

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David D'Avanzo

Eugene

April 4, 1955 — November 9, 2020

Early Monday morning, November 9, 2020, David D'Avanzo — loving husband, father, brother, uncle and friend, fixer of



D'Avanzo

all things broken, keeper of jokes, singer of Elvis, paper napkin artist, and favorite neighbor with all the right tools — passed away at the age of 65. Over the last five years, Dave fought multiple health diagnoses with grace, humor, strength, and determination.

Dave was born on April 4, 1955, to Pearl (Greeson) and Louis D'Avanzo in Staten Island, New York. As the family of an Army Lt. colonel, the D'Avanzos lived in New York, New Jersey, Ohio, Oklahoma, and even survived a short stint in the Dominican Republic during the overthrow of the Trujillo Regime in the 1960s. It was the Army life that brought the D'Avanzos to Hermiston, Oregon, when Dave was a senior in high school.

There, he met Susan, his high school sweetheart and the love of his life. Together, they attended college and graduated with teaching degrees from Eastern Oregon University. They married in the summer of 1978. He taught physical education for McNary Elementary School until just before the birth of their first child in 1980, when he made the move that launched a nearly 40-year career in the rural electric cooperative and energy business. He served members at Umattilla Electric in Hermiston, Oregon, Claverack Rural Electric in Wysox, Pennsylvania, Midstate Electric in LaPine, Oregon, and most recently at Lane Electric in Eugene, Oregon, until his retirement in 2018.

Dave's priorities always centered around loving and serving others. He lived for spending time with his family, checking in with friends near and far, and lending a hand or word of encouragement to anyone in need. He knew no stranger. He was a gifted and creative thinker who was always dreaming

about the next great project to make reality. He found peace in sunrises, wood-working, Elvis music, and spending time outdoors.

In recent years, even as his health declined, he personified grit, turning the third bay of his garage into a beautiful workshop and refuge, complete with handmade cabinetry and tools for all occasions.

Dave was preceded in death by both of his parents, Pearl (D'Avanzo-Lobb) and Louis D'Avanzo, and his parents-in-law, Jack and Billie Chapman and Don Loomis.

He is survived by his soulmate and wife, Susan, and their two children: daughter Keslie and son-in-law James Down, and son Luke and his fiancée Julie and future granddaughter Ellison. He also leaves behind his sisters Donna Trovalli and Debbie (Russ) Wald; siblings-in-law Bill (Susan) Loomis, Greg (Debi) Loomis, Kevin (Alice) Loomis and Jill (Andy) Crow, whom he loved as his own; and many nieces, nephews and cousins who loved him dearly.

Though he will be greatly missed by all who knew him, there is comfort in knowing that he is now with Jesus, free from pain, and celebrating his retirement from sickness in Heaven with those who've gone before him.

Dave was laid to rest at a private family service in Hermiston, Oregon. As we navigate our grief in the time of COVID, we plan to celebrate Dave's life in a virtual service streamed on Saturday, November 28. If you're able to join us live, wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt and log on at 2 p.m. or anytime thereafter at <https://www.youtube.com/c/HarvestCommunityChurchEugene>.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Habitat for Humanity, Wounded Warriors, or a charity of your choice that reminds you of Dave.

Please share memories of Dave with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

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Robert W. 'Bob' Rhea

Hermiston

June 20, 1924 — November 14, 2020

Robert W. "Bob" Rhea of Hermiston was born June 20, 1924, in Stanfield, Oregon, the son of Curtis and Cecile (Rankin) Rhea. He passed away on Saturday November 14, 2020, at the age of 96.



Rhea

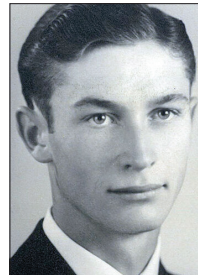
Bob grew up and attended school in Stanfield. After high school, he served in the U.S. Army in the Asiatic Pacific Theatre during World War II. After his honorable discharge, he returned to Eastern Oregon where he has lived since.

Bob married Patricia "Pat" Brown on November 27, 1948, in Pendleton.

Bob farmed and raised cattle on a small farm on Butter Creek before moving his family to a bigger farm in Stanfield, where he farmed until the age of 81. He and his wife then moved to property they owned in Ukiah. They lived there for five years before moving back to Hermiston.

He had a great love of the outdoors and very much enjoyed his work. He had a love of riding horses and hunting, and also was a dedicated family man.

He is survived by his wife of 71 years, Pat; son Curt (Sherry) Rhea; daughter Terry (Rod) Monkus; grandchildren Amy Dyuamzlar, Brady Monkus, Ron Monkus and Lisa Logan; 11 great-grandchildren; and one great-granddaughter.



He was preceded in death by his parents, five sisters and one brother.

A private family graveside service and burial were held at Pleasant View Cemetery near Stanfield.

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BIRTHS

Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston
NOV. 5, 2020

HARRIS — Brionna Baker and Zachary Harris of Irrigon: a boy, Elijah Ray Harris.

St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton
NOV. 5, 2020

NOKES — Summer E. McCoy and Joshua C. Nokes of Hermiston: a boy, Gideon Geoffrey Nokes.

CHURCH DIRECTORY
Community Worship
Featured this Week:

NEW BEGINNINGS
CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
Worship Service 10:30 AM
Sunday School 9:00 AM
Pastor J.C. Barnett
Children's Church & Nursery Available
700 West Orchard Avenue
P.O. Box 933
Hermiston, Oregon
541-567-8441

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125 E. Beech Ave. • 567-3232
Pastor David Dever

Sun. Bible Classes.....10:00am
Sun. Worship Service.....11:00am
Sun. Evening Worship.....6:00pm
Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....6:00pm

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The Full Gospel Home Church
235 SW 3rd
Phone 567-7678
Rev. Ed Baker - Rev. Nina Baker

Sunday:
Sunday School.....10:00 am
Worship.....11:00 am
Evening Service.....7:00 pm
Wednesday Service.....7:00 pm
"Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you."
1 Pet. 5:7

First Christian Church
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Sunday School...9:00 am
Worship Service...10:30 am

567-3013
775 W. Highland Ave., Hermiston

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565 W. HERMISTON AVE.
MASS SCHEDULES

Monday-Friday.....English 8:00am
Tuesday-Friday.....Spanish 6:00pm
SATURDAY.....English 5:00pm
.....Spanish 7:00pm
SUNDAY.....English 9:00am
.....Spanish 11:00am
.....Spanish 1:00pm
Parish Office.....541-567-5812

Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora de los Angeles
565 W. HERMISTON AVE.
HORARIOS DE MISAS

Lunes a Viernes.....Inglés 8:00am
Martes a Viernes.....Español 6:00pm
SABADO.....Inglés 5:00pm
.....Español 7:00pm
DOMINGO.....Inglés 9:00am
.....Español 11:00am
.....Español 1:00pm
Oficina Parroquial.....541-567-5812

To advertise in the Church Directory, please contact Audra Workman
541-564-4538 or email aworkman@eastoregonian.com

Seventh-day Adventist Church
Saturdays
Sabbath School.....9:30 a.m.
Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
English & Spanish Services
567-8241
Hermiston Jr. Academy
1300 NW Academy Lane, • Hermiston

Free haircuts delayed

HERMISTON HERALD

Cuts of Love, an event originally set for Nov. 22, has been postponed due to COVID-19 restrictions on gatherings during the state's two-week "pause."

The event was put together by Austin Erickson, known as AJ the Bar-

ber, from Twist of Glam in Hermiston. The plan was to offer free haircuts to homeless residents and others in need.

Erickson said the event is now planned for January 3. He said he plans to hold on to the money raised in an online GoFundMe fundraiser until then.

PET OF THE WEEK

Kiki is a sweet girl who loves to run around outside with her doggy friend. She has a lot of energy and needs lots of exercise daily. She is house broken and knows how to use a doggy door. Kiki will counter surf so no food can be left out. She does go into a crate but only with the door left open. Kiki is good with cats, but can hurt kittens due to her size. She is very loyal and protective of her family and home. She does have food allergies and needs special food. A fence is required. If potential adopter rents, Fuzzball will contact landlord to verify they allow bully breeds.

MEET KIKI

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Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, animal shelters need our help more than ever. Please donate to your local shelter, or offer to foster an animal in need.

If interested please go to fuzzballrescue.com and fill out an application. If you are not able to adopt, but would like to foster or donate, visit fuzzballrescue.com or you can mail in donations to Fuzz Ball Animal Rescue, PO Box 580, Hermiston, OR 97838

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541-567-7534

Blue Mountain
100% Douglas Fir Brown Bag Pellets \$235 per ton
White Bags Fir-Pine Mix \$215 per ton

TN20 Wood Stove
\$1,299
• 18" max logs
• 55,000 BTU

TN10 Wood Stove
\$1,099
• 10"/12" logs
• 30,000 BTU