

OBITUARIES

Jerome Omer 'Jerry' Sobotta

Hermiston

February 12, 1936 — March 21, 2021

Jerome Omer "Jerry" Sobotta was born to George Sobotta and Ann Grieser Sobotta on February 12, 1936, in Arcadia, Wisconsin. He passed away March 21, 2021, surrounded by family in his home at the age of 85 years.



Sobotta

Jerry attended schools in Lapwai, Idaho, where he met his childhood sweetheart Kay Maxwell. Jerry and Kay married as he attended Gonzaga University where he played basketball, and then Washington State University where he became a life-long Cougar. After receiving a degree in pharmacy, he went to work as a pharmacist in Richland, Washington, and later purchased Hermiston Drug with his brother, Jack, also a pharmacist. They expanded by adding a second store, Orchard Pharmacy, located near the medical center.

To describe Jerry in one word, it would be "kind." He loved each member of the family (and many an extended family member) for who they were, he supported each of us in whatever we desired to do. We felt it. He dispensed good, kind and always smart advice, but only if asked.

He was a spiritual man who always felt blessed, even though his good planning, his kindness, his positive attitude, and his hard work — along with his faith — were the true reasons for his success and the success of his children and grandchildren. He coached, he encouraged, but most of all, he believed in and was confident in our individual ability to complete a degree, find a job, or marry the right person. No matter what though, we, his children and grandchildren, always knew he would love us and would be there to pick us up and dust us off, if we failed.

He was a true athlete. He played basketball for Gonzaga University, then supported family members in playing almost

every kind of sport, but mostly he was a believer in just staying active. He attended many, many sporting events to watch children, grandchildren, (or their friends) or just someone he knew from his hometown, Lapwai, Idaho. He is now in heaven, watching the men's and women's NCAA Championships and looking forward to a Gonzaga championship and the baseball season.

Preceding him in death were his parents George and Ann; his siblings, Richard (Dick) Sobotta, George (Junior) Sobotta, Gloria Mullay, Rosemary Webb, John (Jack) Sobotta; and his oldest son, James Jerome Sobotta.

Survivors include his wife, Kay; his brother, Bob (Loretta) Sobotta; his children, John Sobotta, Julie (Dan) Kane, Karin Sobotta, Diana (Steve) Lilley, Scott Sobotta, Steven Sobotta and Joshua Sobotta; grandchildren, Jon, Annie, Ashley, Michael, Kyle, Jacob, Alyssa, Jessica, Tina, Denise, Benjamin, Kayce, Nicole, Arielle, Mariah, Kylee, and Dawn-Rose; great-grandchildren, Haley, Lucas, Jare, Knox and numerous other great grandchildren nieces and nephews.

Because of the limitation on gatherings due to the pandemic, a family mass will be held at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Boardman, Oregon, with burial to follow at the Hermiston Cemetery, Hermiston, Oregon.

In lieu of flowers, please make contributions in Jerry's memory to the Hermiston Little League or the Agape House c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

Please share memories of Jerry with his family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

Carol Lee (James) Reaves

Irrigon

October 11, 1941 — March 16, 2021

Carol Lee (James) Reaves passed away at the age of 79 at her home in Irrigon, Oregon, on March 16, 2021, with her husband, Bill, by her side. She was preceded in death by her brother, Michael William James, as well as sisters, Marilyn Fay Wisbeck, Florence Fay Mosley, and Linda Jo Roberts.



Reaves

Carol was born to Joe James and Lee Pyatt in Payette, Idaho, on October 11, 1941. She was the oldest of nine children. She had one son, Paul Kramer, who married Tracy Kramer and gave her two grandchildren, Joshua and Amber Kramer.

Carol had a great love for family and enjoyed sharing stories of her life with them. She once wrote a book called "Lloyds Edition" as a recollection of memories from the first 18 years of her life. By the end of this book, she gave us a glimpse into her world as an adult: "In my future, I would find myself alone in New York City with a long journey home. I married and had a beautiful boy! I lived in the Alaska Wilderness now called 'The Rain Forest' with lots of excitement and thrilling stories. I flew out of Alaska when my husband was injured and another story waits in Seattle, I experienced a spiritual experience and a divorce, another story. I left church, (not God!) and tried my hand at making it on my own. I entered into another marriage with much more travel. I learned about the computer world and I worked at an auction business with my son and husband. To me it was all so interesting and there are so many stories to be told."

Carol wore many hats throughout her life. She was a granddaughter, daughter, sister, employee, business woman, wife, mother, friend, and grandmother. Throughout her career, she spent time as a sales woman traveling across the country from Portland, Oregon, to Portland, Maine, she was a seamstress for Jantzen swimwear, she was in quality control for Simplot, and

more. Throughout all of her vocational endeavors, she was finally led to find herself at the forefront of the building of a family business, the Columbia River Auction. She helped build that company from the ground up, managing everything from accounting, to advertising and office management. From all of her titles given throughout her career, the one she held highest of all was "Domestic Engineer."

Carol and Bill Reaves were married December 31, 1979, in Gold Beach, Oregon. At this time, she gained a stepdaughter, Lindsay Reaves. Bill and Carol traveled all around for work taking them from Montana to North Dakota to California, and more. They built the Reaves Roost RV Park in Irrigon, Oregon, now known as Oasis RV Park. This marked the end of their work travels. They built a house, a beautiful garden nursery, and began the Columbia River Auction.

Carol enjoyed sewing, knitting, gardening, fishing, and spending time with her family. She had the joy of living next door to her son and two grandchildren as they grew up. There are no words that quite emphasize enough the integral part that she played in their lives growing up.

Carol is survived by her husband Bill Reaves; brothers Charley Mark James, George Irvin James, and Robert (Robby) Allen Land; sister, JoAnn James; son, Paul Kramer; daughter-in-law, Tracy Kramer; stepdaughter, Lindsay Reaves; grandson, Joshua Kramer, and granddaughter, Amber Kramer.

A graveside service following state guidelines will be held on Saturday, March 27, 2021, at 1 p.m. at the Desert Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Irrigon, Oregon.

Please share memories of Carol with her family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

Harleen Sue Smith

Umatilla

May 7, 1937 — March 20, 2021

Harleen Sue Smith of Umatilla was born May 7, 1937, in Fayetteville, Arkansas, the daughter of Harl and Stella (Ward) Warford. She passed away in Umatilla on Saturday, March 20, 2021, at the age of 83.



Smith

Harleen lived in Arkansas and California during her childhood, attending school in Woodland, California. She married Albert Lee Smith Sr. in Reno, Nevada, on July 12, 1963. The couple moved several times due to work but lived most of their lives in California and Umatilla, Oregon.

Harleen stayed home to care for her children while they were growing up. After her kids were raised, she worked at Capeco and Walmart. She retired from Walmart in the early 2000s.

She enjoyed going to casinos, trips to the coast, classic cars, and collecting Barbie dolls and bells. She

had been a 4H instructor and a softball coach.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Albert Lee Smith Sr., on March 31, 2000; her parents; and her beloved dog, Snoopy.

She is survived by her four children, Lee Ann (Jonathan) Cecil, Kelly (Justin) Holm, Albert (Janis Davis) Smith Jr., and Thomas (Crystal) Smith; sister, Carole Pelant; 15 grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 26, 2021, at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements by Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon.

To leave an online condolence for the family, please go to www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Umatilla plans spring cleaning day

The city of Umatilla is holding a citywide spring cleaning day from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, April 10.

For people who need the city to pick up items for disposal, pickups can be scheduled until April 5 by calling 541-922-3226 ext. 113 or emailing hannah@umatilla-city.org.

Items must be on the sidewalk or side of the roadway and easy to grab. Staff will not pick up items on private property, such

as yards or driveways, will not climb into any trailers or vehicles, and will not collect any biohazards, such as needles or animal waste.

Dumpsters will also be located at the public works building, 1205 Third St., for people to drop off their items themselves.

Gates to the drop-off area will close promptly at 1 p.m., and no more items will be accepted after that time.

Records:

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Hermiston, pleaded guilty to DUII: sentenced to 1 year probation and enrollment in Diversion Program.
 •Kevin Anthony Chavez, 33, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to DUII: sentenced to 60 days jail, 120 days jail-suspended, 2 years probation, 80 hours community service, \$2,000 fine, \$1,000 fine-suspended and 1 year driver's license suspension, plus court costs and fees.
 •Jacob Joe Martinez, 37, Hermiston, pleaded guilty to DUII: sentenced to 60 days jail, 120 days jail-suspended, 3 years probation, 100 hours community service, \$1,145 fine, \$2,855 fine-suspended and 3 years driver's license suspension, plus court costs and fees.

SUITS FILED

PENDLETON — The following suits have been filed in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs and fees not listed):
 •William Harry Quick II of Hermiston and Nancy Lou Hunt of Klamath Falls, representatives of the estate of Norma Lou Quick vs. Kristine J. McCullough of Hermiston: seeks \$602,758.92.
 •OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Mikayla S. Bodin: seeks \$2,694.49.
 •Quick Collect Inc. vs. Javier R. Padilla of Irrigon: seeks \$2,420.23.
 •Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. Jonte M. Armstrong of Hermiston: seeks \$1,287.28.
 •Midland Credit Management Inc. vs. John Mabry of Hermiston: seeks \$6,488.62.
 •United Finance Co. vs. Derek

Baker of Hermiston: seek \$3,685.58.
 •United Finance Co. vs. Juan Leon Garcia of Boardman: seeks \$6,407.73.
 •Quick Collect Inc. vs. Rafael and Jaime Ybarra of Hermiston: seeks \$273.99.
 •American Express National Bank vs. Stephanie Duquette of Hermiston: seeks \$5,917.09.
 •OneMain Financial Group LLC vs. Susana Gallegos: seeks \$9,176.67.

JUDGMENTS

PENDLETON — The following judgments have been rendered in Umatilla County courts (interest, court costs

and fees not listed):

•LVNV Funding LLC vs. Isidro Diaz-Lara: judgment for \$1,104.20.
 •Credits Inc. vs. Glinda Rodriguez of Hermiston: judgment for \$1,172.29.
 •Steve Reed of Gig Harbor, Wash., vs. Metro Mart Inc. of Hermiston: judgment for \$583.49.
 •Credits Inc. vs. Kaitlin V. Malone Smith of Hermiston: judgment for \$3,172.64.
 •Credits Inc. vs. Ashley Longhorn of Hermiston: judgment for \$951.26.
 •Credits Inc. vs. Martin Rizo of Boardman: judgment for \$1,024.75.

DIVORCES

PENDLETON — Divorce decrees were signed in Umatilla County Courts for: Wenseslao Balderas Sixtos of Umatilla and Guadalupe Balderas of Los Angeles, Calif.; Raylena Maria Cimmiyotti and Jacob Bradley Cimmiyotti of Hermiston.

MARRIAGES

PENDLETON — Marriage licenses have been registered in Umatilla County for: Maria Francisco Nolasco, 32, and Jose Luis Antonio Alonzo, 33, both of Hermiston.

PET OF THE WEEK

MEET LILLY

Lilly is like a Golden Lab in a tiny package. She is sweet, silly and soulful. She did have some separation anxiety issues with her previous adopter, so she needs a home where family is there for her, maybe a playmate who isn't demanding. She loves a good belly rub and her soft blanket.

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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

CHURCH DIRECTORY
Community Worship
Featured this Week:

Seventh-day Adventist Church
 Saturdays
 Sabbath School.....9:30 a.m.
 Worship Service.....11:00 a.m.
 English & Spanish Services
541-567-8241
855 W. Highland Ave.
Hermiston, OR 97838

Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church 565 W. HERMISTON AVE. MASS SCHEDULES		Iglesia Católica Nuestra Señora de los Angeles 565 W. HERMISTON AVE. HORARIOS DE MISAS	
Monday-Friday.....	English 8:00am	Lunes a Viernes.....	Inglés 8:00am
Tuesday-Friday.....	Spanish 6:00pm	Martes a Viernes.....	Español 6:00pm
SATURDAY.....	English 5:00pm	SABADO.....	Inglés 5:00pm
	Spanish 7:00pm		Español 7:00pm
SUNDAY.....	English 9:00am	DOMINGO.....	Inglés 9:00am
	Spanish 11:00am		Español 11:00am
	Spanish 1:00pm		Español 1:00pm
	Spanish 6:00pm		Español 6:00pm
Parish Office.....	541-567-5812	Oficina Parroquial.....	541-567-5812

Hermiston Christian Center & School
 Sunday Gathering: 10:00 AM
This gathering is also livestreamed on our Facebook page.
 Nursery care is available 3 years & under
 Kids Club available 4 years-5th grade
Sunday Prayer Gathering: 6:00 PM
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 Wed. Prayer & Bible Study.....6:00pm
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