## **OBITUARIES**

### **Rose Mary Kautz**

Hermiston

May 28, 1945 — Aug. 29, 2021

**Kautz** 

Hermiston was born May 28, 1945, in Hampton, Vir-

and Alice (Willet) Sabo. She passed away in Hermiston on Sunday, Aug. 29, 2021, at the age of 76.

Rose grew up and attended her schooling in Hampton, Virginia. After high school, she met Kenneth E. Kautz who was serving in the U.S. Air

Force. The couple was united ter, Carol Phelps; 17 in marriage on Sept. 3, 1964, in Clovis, New Mexico.

Rose and Kenneth lived in many places throughout the United States and Europe during his military career. They moved to Pendleton, Oregon, in 1979 and settled in Hermiston in 1980, where she has resided since.

Rose loved bowling and had played on multiple bowling leagues. She also enjoyed crocheting, working on puzzles and she attended The Country Church. She especially enjoyed spending time

Rose Mary Kautz of with her grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in ginia, the daughter of Albert death by her husband Ken-

neth on Oct. 12, 1994; her parents; two brothers, and

one sister. She is survived by a daughter, Mary (Tom) Mooney; son, Ken (Synde)

Kautz; daughter, Elizabeth (Richard) Swendaughtik; ter, Katherine Kautz; one sis-

grandchildren; and many great-grandchildren.

A graveside service was held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 4, 2021, at the Hermiston Cemetery.

Family suggests memorial donations in Rose's memory be made to Burns Mortuary of Hermiston to help defray final costs.

Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in care of arrangements. To leave an online condolence for the family, please go to www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

### William K. 'Bill' Bush

Hermiston

## Dec. 31, 1939 — Aug. 13, 2021

Bush

was born on December 31, 1939, in Portland, Oregon, to Lewis W. Bush and Vera 59 years; three children,

Lubbes Bush. Bill passed away on August 13, 2021, at his home in Hermiston with his wife of 59 years by his side.

The family moved to Hermiston in 1940. Bill attended school in Hermiston, graduating in 1957. He

excelled in all sports during high school, receiving many awards, including all conference tackle. After graduation, Bill continued to work with his family raising watermelons until going to

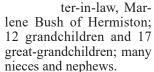
work for other area farmers. Bill was known for being one of the best potato digger operators in the area. He joined the Laborer's Union in 1992, retiring in 2001. After retiring, he continued to farm parttime for various farmers, as farming was in his blood.

He enjoyed life and was an amazing man full of love. He will be missed. He was known far and wide as Uncle Bill to

William K. "Bill" Bush many related or not.

Bill is survived by his wife, Sylvia Bush of

> Larry, Brian and Barbara (John) Thomas, all of Hermiston; broth-Herman, ers Jim (Kathy) and Drake of Hermiston; sisters, Beverly and Helen of Hermiston; sister, Schellia of Tacoma; sis-



Bill was preceded in death by his parents, a sister, Betty Gillpatrick; and a

brother, Tom Bush. At Bill's request, the family will host a picnic in honor of Bill on Sept. 25, 2021, at 12 noon, at one of his favorite places, Hat Rock State Park picnic area. They ask you to bring your beverage of choice.

Please share memories of Bill with his family at www.burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, Oregon is in care of arrangements.

## **Delbert 'Gene' Gaines**

Stanfield

## March 23, 1948 — Aug. 30, 2021

Gaines

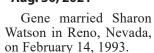
Delbert "Gene" Gaines of Stanfield was born March 23, 1948, in Walla Walla, Washington, the

son of Delbert and Dorothy Jean (Phelps) Gaines. He passed away Monday, on August 30, 2021, in Hermiston at the age of 73.

Gene grew in Pilot Rock where he attended school, graduating from Pilot Rock High School in the class of 1967. He then served

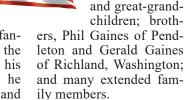
in the U.S. Army Infantry Division during the Vietnam War. After his honorable discharge, he returned to Pilot Rock and began his career with US Gypsum. He worked at the mill for over 30 years until it closed in 2000. He then worked for Keystone RV and Continental Mills in Pendleton.

Gene loved archery hunting and looked forward to his annual hunts and spending time in the woods. He also enjoyed fly fishing. He loved being a grandpa to his grandchildren.



He is survived by his wife of 28 years, Sharon of Stanfield; children, Michelle Gaines Voight Willamina, of Dave

Gaines and Scott Gaines, both of Stanfield, Holli Hill of Pilot Rock, Lee Watson of Stanfield and Christopher Watson of Pendleton; many grandchildren



He was preceded in death by his parents, son, Ronald Gene; brother, Danny; sister, Nancy; and beloved grandson, Cody Watson.

A private family celebration of life will be held at a later time. Burns Mortuary of Hermiston is in

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

### **Dolores A. White**

Hermiston

## Dec. 8, 1938 — Aug. 27, 2021

Dolores A. White was born on Dec. 8, 1938, in Oregon City, Oregon, to parents, Edgar and Valda Livingston

Miller. She died on Aug. 27, 2021, at her home in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 82 years.

She was raised in Portland and North Plains, Oregon, graduating from Hillsboro High School in the class of 1957. Dolores was united in marriage

to DuWayne White on Sept. 19, 1958, in Vancouver, Washington. They lived in Portland and California before moving to Pendleton in 1968 and then settling in Hermiston, Oregon, in 1970 where they have lived since.

She and DuWayne owned the Hermiston Dairy Queen for over 30 years and Dolores was an Avon representative for many years. She loved kids and for a time she worked in the schools as well as serving as a Royal Rangers leader and organized the Good News Club. They were snowbirds for 16 years, spending winters in Apache Junction, Arizona. Dolores enjoyed traveling and flowers and cherished time with her family. She was a member of the First Christian Church.

She is survived by her husband of nearly 63 years,



DuWayne White, Hermiston, Ore-

gon; sons, Darell, Mark and Guy iston, Oregon; sister, Geri Warnake, Prineville, Oregon; grandsons, Travis and Cameron; great-grandchildren, Matthew, Gregory, Halie and Jada; several nieces, nephews

Dolores was preceded in

A celebration of life service will be held on Thursday, Sept. 9, 2021, at 11 a.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston,

Those who wish may make contributions in Dolores' memory to Vange John Memorial Hospice Education Fund, c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston, OR 97838.

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

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Christ of Latter-day Saints.

She was preceded in

## **Rema Alene Fleener**

Jan. 19, 1916 — Sept. 3, 2021

Hermiston, was born Jan. 19, 1916, in Twin Falls, Idaho, the daughter of Fred and Chris-

sie (Mahoney) Walters. She passed away in Hermiston on Sept. 3, 2021, at

Rema was brought up on a cattle ranch at Three Creek, Idaho until the age of twelve. At that time, her folks purchased a large, well known ranch in Beulah, Oregon. She loved the ranch livestock, especially the horses, until late into her life. She met her husband, Robert Fleener, whose folks owned a ranch in nearby Juntura, Oregon. The couple were united in marriage in Payette, Idaho,

on Feb. 14, 1942. The couple then moved to Hermiston, Oregon.

Rema was a school teacher and taught for the Vale and Hermiston School Districts for a total of 38 years. She belonged to the Oregon Retired Education Association, Eastern Star and was a



Fleener



Fleener

iston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Family suggest memorial donations in Rema's

memory be made to the Agape House P.O. Box

or the Eastern Oregon Foundation EOU Fleener-Gould Scholarship, One University Blvd., La Grande, OR 97850.

## **Luke Maynard**

Irrigon

Jan. 21, 1960 — Aug. 25, 2021

Maynard

com.

Dearest Luke, Loving Husband, Father and Pappa.

Thank you for the lifetime of memories you've made with our kids Nathan, Michelle and Cort-

ney Griffin. Our grandkids Kassadie, Zachariah, Memphis, Tyler and Raelynn will always cherish the special times they spent with you.

Thank you for filling our home with so much love and joy; you will never be forgotten.

The special bond you shared with your brother Mark and sister Nova will always live on.

Last of all Luke, I want you to know how special and honored I feel to have been your wife. Love always,

Janet Maynard

Luke's family would like

to share in the celebration of life with all those that know and love him following state guidelines (Masks will be available) on Sept. 11, 2021, at 1 p.m. at Windmill Acres,

White, all of Herm-

and cousins.

death by her parents, a son, Todd; and a grandson, Greg.

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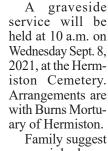
Rema Alene Fleener of member of the Church of Jesus

the age of 105.

ruary of 2001. She

was also preceded in death by her parents; brother, Milas; sisters, Pearl and Ella May.

She is survived by several nieces and nephews and special friends, Norris and Kathy Forabee.



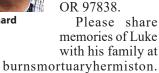
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81264 W. Eighth Rd., Irrigon, Oregon.

Potluck, you are welcome to bring salad or dessert, main dish

provided. Those who wish may make contributions in Luke's memory to the SAGE Center c/o Burns Mortuary of Hermiston, P.O. Box 289, Hermiston,



Arrangements with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

## Jonathan B. 'Jon' Banker

Hermiston

Oct. 5, 1964 — Jun. 24, 2021

Jonathan B. "Jon" Banker of Hermiston, Oregon, was born Oct. 5, 1964, in Provo, Utah, to parents, Carl and

Dixie Giddens Banker. He died June 24, 2021, in Hermiston, Oregon, at the age of 56 years.

Jon was raised in Hermiston and then attended Blue Mountain Community College. He worked in construction for several years. Jon married The-

was an avid fisherman and loved sports (Raiders fan) who enjoyed camping, music and the outdoors. Jon always had his dog, Halo, at his side.

He is survived by his wife, Theresa Banker, Hermiston, Oregon; daughters, Jessica, Jennifer & Ashleigh Banker, all of Hermiston, Oregon; son, Taylor Banker, Hermiston, Oregon; father, Carl Banker, Hermiston, Oregon; step-children, Shawn

> Strong and Dawn Aldred, both of Hermiston, Oregon; brothers, Greg Banker, Asotin, Washington, and Ryan Banker, Phoenix, Arizona; sister, Patricia Simon, Richland, Washington; numerous grandchildren, nieces, nephews

and cousins. Jon was preceded by his mother,

A graveside service will be held Sept. 11, 2021, at 2 p.m. at the Hermiston

Please share memories of Jon with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Cook

left his earthly home on Sept. 6, 2021, at the age of 95. He was born in Rigby, Idaho, on Oct. 25, 1925,

to Phineas Leo Cook and Thelma Leavitt Cook. He was married and sealed for time and all eternity to Donna Fae Smith on Nov. 10, 1949, in the Idaho Falls Temple.

He was preceded in death by his loving wife, Donna; a sister, Anna Jex; and a brother, Harvey Cook; his eldest son,

Kent and his wife Sharon Cook; foster daughter and son-in-law, Barb and Frank Dana; infant granddaughter, Rochelle Salisbury; great-granddaughter, Kalani Clark; and great-grandson, Riley Salisbury.

and Ivan Cook; his surviving children include, Dianne Hunt (Joel), Boise; Sherri Salisbury (Mark), Basin City, Washington; Brian Cook (Karli), İrrigon; Darla Hartsteen (Wally), Echo; Lorilee Mitchell (Rick), Bonney Lake, Washington; Launa Allphin (Steve), Highland, Utah; foster daughter, Marie Smart (Rod), Heber, Utah; and Michelle Hullinger (Randy), Pasco; 60 grandchildren, 131 great-grandchildren and many great-great-grandchildren.

Vernon and Donna's journey together began on a farm in Shelton, Idaho. Because of Vernon's veteran status they pursued an opportunity to develop land through the Columbia Basin Project and moved to Moses Lake,

moved to Basin City, Washington in 1958 then to Echo in 1972 where they lived and

farmed for many years.

was an integral part of his life. He served many years in various church callings, blessing the lives of all he served. He was selfless in service to others and worked tirelessly to provide

ing, Vernon and

Donna were called most recently served in the

know him.

Mortuary of Hermiston. Any contributions in his memory may be made to the Humanitarian Fund of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints at https:// philanthropies.churchofjesuschrist.org/. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

# BIRTHS

# **Good Shepherd Medical Center, Hermiston**

Aug. 24, 2021

**SALAS** — Martina Salas and Roy Gomez of Hermiston: a girl, Martina Salas.

GONZALEZ — Nichol Leslie and Michael P. Gonzalez of Stanfield: a boy, Nathan Michael Gonzalez.

Aug. 27, 2021 **GARCIA** — Stephanie Politron and Gilberto Garcia of Umatilla: a girl, Genesis Juliana Garcia.

Aug. 29, 2021 MOON — Alla Moon and Zachery Moon of Hermiston: a boy, Zachery Moon Jr.

## CHI St. Anthony Hospital, Pendleton

Aug. 25, 2021 **CANCINO** — Claudia A. Carvajal and Francisco Cancino of Boardman: a boy, Ezekiel Cancino.

## Sept. 1, 2021

**HASTINGS** — Hailey Jean Hastings and Jeremy Alan Hastings of Hermiston: a boy, Laine Ellis Hastings.



















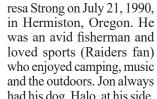




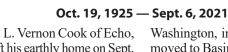


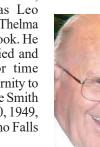




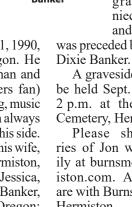






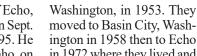


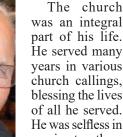




Cemetery, Hermiston.







for his family. Upon retirement from farm-

to serve four missions for the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints where they served together and cultivated their love for the people of Central and South America. Vernon

Columbia River Temple. Vernon leaves a legacy of faith and love for family and friends. He will be greatly missed by all who had the privilege and opportunity to

The funeral will be held on Saturday, Sept. 11, 2021, at 11 a.m. with a viewing from 9 -10:30 a.m. at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 1035 SE 9th Street, Hermiston. Interment will follow at the Echo Memorial Cemetery in Echo. Arrangements are with Burns