

OBITUARIES

Edie Louise Bailey

July 28, 1971 — Oct. 15, 2021

Hermiston

Edie Louise Bailey of Hermiston was born July 28, 1971, in Salem, the daughter of Eddie and Carolyn (Vohland) Cain. She passed away in Hermiston Friday, Oct. 15, 2021, at the age of 50.



Bailey

Edie lived in Salem until the age of 7 when she moved to Hermiston. She attended schools in Hermiston and graduated from Hermiston High School in the class of 1990. She later attended Blue Mountain Community College where she completed her associate's degree. In 1991, she began her career with the Hermiston School District where she worked as a special needs assistant. She later transferred to the Umatilla ESD where she continued her work as a special needs assistant until 2014.

Edie loved spending time with her two sons; in sports, hunting or fishing. She also enjoyed umpiring softball for a good 20 years.

She is survived by her two sons; Treston Bailey of Seattle, and Drexlyn and daughter-in-law Audrey Bailey of Hermiston; mother, Carolyn Peterson of Dallas; father, Eddie and wife Connie Cain of LaPine; brother, Cody and wife Karen Cain of Dallas; nephew, Brody Cain of Dallas; two grandchildren, Maysie and Joel.

At her request, no services will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

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

LaDonna 'JoAnne' Hensley

Oct. 27, 1940 — Aug. 25, 2021

Depoe Bay

We regretfully announce the passing of our mom, LaDonna "JoAnne" Hensley, who passed away peacefully at home surrounded by loved ones Aug. 25, 2021, at the age of 80.



Hensley

JoAnne was born to John and Mary Wynn on Oct. 27, 1940, in the city of Pendleton, Oregon, and graduated from Echo High School, class of 1958. She worked in the service industry most of her life.

She is survived by many loving individuals including her sister, Julie Wynn; daughters, Renee Kilian, Patricia Plumlee and Pamela Maxwell; and son, Alfred Duane "Butch" Fontaine Jr.; and her beloved fur baby, JoAnne also had 10 grandchildren, 22 great-grandchildren and five great-great-grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by both her parents, her loving husband, John Hensley; brother, Bill Wynn; and sister, Sharon Wynn.

JoAnne requested a cremation and that her ashes be scattered at her favorite place in Depoe Bay, Oregon. There will be a private celebration of life with her family afterwards.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to a cancer organization of your choice.

Gerald Ray McBee

July 24, 1940 — Oct. 7, 2021

Umatilla

Gerald Ray McBee passed away on Oct. 7, 2021, with his family by his side. He was born on July 24, 1940, in Elsberry, Missouri to parents, Harry M. McBee and Blanche (Kay) McBee.



McBee

Gerald was united in marriage to Danice Johnson on Aug. 28, 1980.

During his early childhood, the family traveled southern states, Arizona and California, where his father worked construction. At the age of 9, the family moved to Athena, Oregon, then to Helix where he graduated from Helix High School in 1959. He enjoyed playing football and baseball.

After graduation, he and his twin brother, Gerald, enrolled in the Pendleton Technical School, now Blue Mountain Community College. Gerald studied auto body repair and paint. His brother studied mechanics and automotive chassis. They worked together on Gerald's wheelstander, the "Defiance." After graduating from technical school, he managed the auto body repair shop for Rohrman Ford. During that time he developed a lasting friendship with Leonard Ware. He worked at Ware's Auto Body for over 30 years.

In his early teens, he was interested in many things. He built glider airplanes and was currently working on a motorized glider with a 6-foot wingspan. At the age of 14, he became a licensed taxidermist. He was an excellent shot with a bow and arrow, searching out birds and small animals to practice his taxidermy skills. His mother was a good

sport allowing him to display them in her living room. When he was 16, he mounted a golden eagle for the Pendleton Eagles Lodge.

But his true passion was building hot rod cars. His talent was admired by many people and he developed lifelong friends who shared his passion. He followed the Good Guys motto, "you gotta drive 'em," and he did. He and Danice toured with the Good Guys and Jerry Dixie of the National Street Rodder Association many times. The longest tours were to Columbus, Ohio, Minneapolis-St. Paul and York, Pennsylvania.

He is survived by his wife of 41 years, Danice; his former wife, Darlene Tehennape; children, Corey McBee, Tina Montgomery, Brian Johnson and Danette Warren; grandchildren, Taelor McBee and Andrew McBee; brothers, Everett "Gene" McBee and Donald Webber.

He was preceded in death by his parents, twin brother, Jerald; and infant son, Shannon McBee.

A celebration of life will be held on Sunday, Oct. 24, from 2-4 p.m. at the Maxwell Siding Pavilion, 255 N. First St., Hermiston.

In lieu of flowers, please make remembrances in Gerald's memory to Vange John Memorial Hospice Education Fund or a charity of your choice.

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

Emelie Jane Poole

May 28, 1937 — Oct. 10, 2021

Hermiston

Emelie Jane Poole (Addington, Garner) was born on May 28, 1937, in Trinidad, Colorado, and died on Oct. 10, 2021, in Lebanon, Oregon.



Poole

Most knew her as Jane; as she puts it, only her dad could pronounce her first name correctly. She was born to Odell and Rosie Poole. Jane had two brothers, Delroy and Bill; and two sisters, Mary Alice and Debra Jo. She had four children, Rhonda, Donald, Myra and Ronald; six grandkids, Jessica, Kyle, Alyssa, Dane, Amanda and Malise; and three great-grandkids, Amanda, Charlie and Max.

Jane was married three times. When she went to college for music she met her first husband. Music was very important to her, as was family. She dropped out of college to help her mom with her youngest sister, Debra.

Jane lived in many places in Colorado, California and Oregon. She had many different jobs, starting when she was quite young. She helped her parents with the water house, which provided water to farmers and some townspeople as well. Other jobs included working for an old age home, having a mail route, running a chicken ranch, working with

race horses, managing a truck stop, working for McDonald's and running a library for a Christian School. Jane enjoyed helping the children.

Whether it was with school work, music, or learning how a library works and is set up, she liked passing on her knowledge and music to anyone who would listen. The music was always there in one form or another. When she met Jacob Looper, music was once again brought to a different level in her life. Jacob had her sing in choir, helping with the school's musical performances and taking trips. All of which she never forgot even as her memory was slipping.

Jane is survived by Bill and Cindy Poole, Debra and Rich Padilla, Rhonda and Scott Schulte, Donald Addington, Jessica and Greg Raphael, Amanda Griffith, Charlie Griffith, Myra Addington, Kyle Louthan, Alyssa Garcia, Max Garcia, Dane Louthan, Apinya Garner, Amanda and Sam Stahl, Malisa Garner and Jeremy Coyle, her adopted son Jacob Looper, and the many cousins, nieces and nephews. She will be missed by all who knew and loved her. Rest in peace, Mom.

Huston-Jost Funeral Home is handling final arrangements.

BIRTHS

GOOD SHEPHERD MEDICAL CENTER, HERMISTON

Oct. 4, 2021 ROMERO-MUNOZ — Elena Romero-Munoz and Ray Romero of Hermiston: a girl, Natalia Isabelle Romero-Munoz.

Oct. 11, 2021 STUDER III — Heather M. Studer and William Studer of Hermiston: a boy, Forest Eugene Studer III.

CHI ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL, PENDLETON

Oct. 6, 2021 MCCARTY — Brenna Rae Sparkle and Nathan Daniel McCarty of Pendleton: a girl, Frankie Jean McCarty.

Oct. 7, 2021 RICE — May Ruloph and Randy Allen Rice of Pendleton: a girl, Nyla Jeannette Rice.

Oct. 8, 2021 VASQUEZ — Abby Louise

Jenine Vasquez of Pendleton: a boy, Sage Rebel Wayne Vasquez. Oct. 10, 2021

SURBER — Ashley Dorothy Surber and Wesley Ray Surber of Pendleton: a girl, Kaylee Caroline Surber. Oct. 11, 2021

BAERT — Tessa Perry and Kole Baert of Pendleton: a boy, Greyson Kole Baert. Oct. 12, 2021

HOLLIDAY — Devon Terese Kirkman and Dillan Ward Holliday of Pendleton: a boy, Orion Michael Holliday. Oct. 14, 2021

TILFORD — Katherine Carolina Savage and Jesse Tilford of Pendleton: a girl, Caroline Rogue Tilford. Oct. 15, 2021

MADRIGAL-GUZMAN — Maria N. Madrigal-Guzman and Jose Guadalupe Madrigal-Guzman of Hermiston: a girl, Melissa Madrigal-Guzman.

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Editorial Column Jade McDowell

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Best Local Column - Jade McDowell

Third Place

Business or Economic Issue Jade McDowell

Best Local Column Category Tammy Malgesini



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