

OBITUARIES

Thomas J. Kraft Sr.

Jan. 29, 1944 — Oct. 16, 2021

Hermiston

Thomas J. Kraft Sr., of Hermiston, was born Jan. 29, 1944, in Salina, Kansas, the son of William and Eva Mae (Hollen) Kraft. He passed away in Hermiston, Saturday, Oct. 16, 2021, at the age of 77.

Thomas moved with his family from Kansas to Idaho when he was 10 years old. He grew up and attended schools in Clayton and Rupert, Idaho. After high school, he served in the U.S. Navy for three years where he obtained the rank of Boiler Technician 3rd Class Petty Officer. After his honorable discharge, he moved to Forks, Washington, where he began his career as a log truck driver. He worked for I.T.T. Rayonier driving log trucks for over 20 years. He then bought his own truck and drove for himself for many years. He drove truck in many communities throughout Oregon and Washington until retiring in 2015.

Thomas enjoyed fishing, hunting, golfing, playing Nintendo Wii Sports and enjoyed spending Sunday watching

the Seattle Seahawks play football. He was a member of the Elks Lodge for over 40 years, had helped establish the Elks Lodge in Forks, Washington, and had served as the exalted ruler for several years.

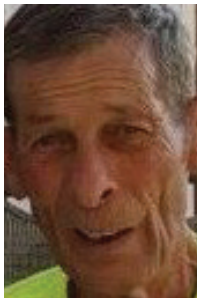
Thomas married Frankie Ellis in Forks, Washington, Nov. 9, 1967.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Frankie; sons, Thomas Jr. and William R. Kraft; brothers, Bob Kraft, Jerry Kraft and Dick Kraft; sister, Judy

Colouzis; and several nieces and nephews and extended family members.

He was preceded in death by his parents; brothers, Ron and Don; and a sister, Aline. A private family burial will be in the Minidoka Acequia Rupert Cemetery in Rupert, Idaho. A celebration of life will be announced in Hermiston and Forks, Washington, at a later time. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

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



Kraft



Kenneth D. 'Ken' Fickel

Sept. 19, 1946 — Oct. 23, 2021

Hermiston

Kenneth D. "Ken" Fickel, of Hermiston, was born Sept. 19, 1946, in Alliance, Nebraska, to parents, Vaughn and Emma Keane Fickel. He died Oct. 23, 2021, in Hermiston at the age of 75.

He was raised and attended school in Hemingford, Nebraska, graduating in 1964. Ken was united in marriage to Vicki Russell Jan. 23, 1967, in Pilot Rock. He enlisted in the United States Navy and served in Vietnam where he was awarded two Purple Hearts. Ken worked as an engineer for the Oregon Department of Transportation for nearly 30 years before he retired. He loved working around his farm and tinkering in his shop, trips to the coast and playing on the computer.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Vicki Fickel, Hermiston; son, Kenneth Fickel Jr., Hermiston; daughter, Angela (Rex) Harman, Hermis-

ton; brothers, Terry Fickel, Austin, Texas, and Gaylin Fickel, Portland; grandchildren, Ryan, Tad, Tyler, J.T., T.J., Tiffany, Jamie, Jacob and Derrick; great-grandchildren, Madison, Jackie, Bella, Jordynn, Jenna, Aiden, Joseph, Michael, Taylor, Peyton, Zoey, Isabelle, Landon, Caleb, Caden, Abbigale, Jaden and Jayce; and numerous nieces, nephews and cousins.

Ken was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Connie Fickel; and a sister, Donna Jane Kampbell.

A funeral service was held on Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021, at 1 p.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston.

Burial followed at the Desert Lawn Memorial Cemetery, Irrigon.

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



Fickel



Marshall R. Lilly

April 27, 1943 — Oct. 19, 2021

Echo

Marshall R. Lilly, of Echo, was born April 27, 1943, in Wyco, West Virginia. He died Oct. 19, 2021, in Hermiston at the age of 78. Marshall was raised in West Virginia, Michigan and California before moving to Oregon at the age of 18.

He was united in marriage to Sharon Ernce Jan. 23, 1964, in Pasco.

Marshall worked as a carman for Union Pacific Railroad for 30 years before retiring. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, riding his four-wheeler and cherished time with family.

He is survived by his wife of 57 years, Sharon Lilly, Echo; daughters, Janet Mitchell, Echo, and JoAnna Hiatt, Eugene;

son, David Lilly and his wife BJ, Clarkston, Washington; brother, Lance Lilly, Pendleton; two grandchildren, Evan Hiatt and Seth Hiatt; great-grandchildren, Jordyn, Noah, Jacob, Isabella and Jadian; and numerous nieces and nephews.

Marshall was preceded in death by his parents.

A graveside service was held Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021, at 1 p.m. at the Echo Cemetery.

Those who wish may make contributions to Marshall's memory to the Wounded Warrior Project.

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



Lilly

Eunice Elene Flanagan

Oct. 8, 1943 — Oct. 26, 2021

Hermiston

Eunice Elene Flanagan, a lifelong Hermiston resident, was born Oct. 8, 1943, in Hermiston, the daughter of Alvin and Katie (Horning) Koch. She passed away in Hermiston, Tuesday, Oct. 26, 2021, at the age of 78.

Eunice grew up and attended schools in Hermiston and graduated from Hermiston High School. She worked for Lamb Weston in Hermiston in several different jobs for over 40 years. She retired when she was in her mid-60s.

Eunice married Danny Ray Flanagan in December of 1967. They divorced several years later.

Eunice was an avid walker, she enjoyed visiting with friends and family and she held a strong faith in God. She enjoyed spending time with family.

She is survived by her

three children, Steven and wife, Jennifer Flanagan, Sherri Smith and significant other, Jerry Hamlin, Sean and wife, Crystal Flanagan; nine grandchildren and many extended family members.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother, David Koch; sisters, Alvina Tompkins and Angie Cox; and a granddaughter, Lindsey Smith.

A graveside service will be held at 1 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 4, 2021, at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Family suggest memorial donations in Eunice's memory be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

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Flanagan

Arlene Elvira Burns

May 25, 1928 — Oct. 28, 2021

Hermiston

Arlene Elvira Burns, 93, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2021, at the Oregon Veterans Home in The Dalles. She was born May 25, 1928, in Mound City, South Dakota, the daughter of John and Alma Brockel.

Growing up on a farm, she learned to be an excellent cook, seamstress, and the value of hard work. After graduation from Selby High School, Arlene attended Northern Normal College and earned her teaching degree. She moved to Condon, Oregon, to teach fourth grade, and it was in Condon that she met Joe Burns, who had recently returned from the war. After their marriage in 1949, they moved to Hermiston where Arlene taught at Sandstone school. They welcomed five children; Lynn, Dan, Bev, Paul and Kevin.

Arlene devoted her life to her family. She was a loving wife, mother and grandmother and "neighborhood Mom," who had the best snacks for kids. In her spare time, she enjoyed playing bridge in several clubs and later became a talented artist, painting in oil and acrylic. Reading and gardening were favorite hobbies; she especially delighted in tending to her roses. Joe and Arlene traveled to many places around the globe, including Alaska, the Panama Canal, Australia and Europe. Arlene loved her work with the Catholic church where she taught cat-

echism for several years and with the Hospital Auxiliary, where she volunteered in the gift shop at Good Shepherd Hospital.

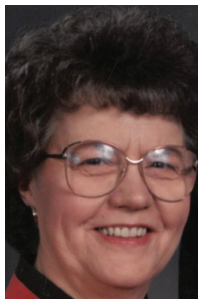
Arlene was preceded in death by her husband, Joe; her siblings, Marjory, Carroll and Don; her grandson, Shea; and twin granddaughters, Amy and April.

She is survived by her brother, Harley Brockel, Selby, South Dakota; daughters, Lynn (Paul) Duus of Cornelius, and Bev (Alan) Eagy of The Dalles; and sons, Dan (Cindi), Paul (Billie Jo) and Kevin (Darla), all of Hermiston. She was blessed with 13 grandchildren, 14 great-grandchildren, one great-great-granddaughter, and her longtime friend, Mary Newman.

Recitation of the rosary followed by Mass of Christian burial was Tuesday, Nov. 2, 2021, at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, Hermiston. Burial was at the Hermiston Cemetery. A lunch was prepared by the Catholic Daughters, of which Arlene was the oldest living charter member in Hermiston.

Those who wish may make contributions in Arlene's memory to Our Lady of Angels Catholic Daughters of Hermiston.

Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please sign the condolence book at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.



Burns

DEATH NOTICES

Richard James Pierce

May 11, 1956 — Oct. 27, 2021

Hermiston

Richard James Pierce, 65, of Hermiston, died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2021, in Hermiston. He was born May 11, 1956, in Sacramento, California, the son of Alvin and Maria (Nielson) Pierce. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Michael A. 'Mike' Mullikin

Jan. 18, 1984 — Oct. 27, 2021

Irrigon

Michael A. "Mike" Mullikin, 37, of Irrigon, died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2021, at his home. He was born Jan. 18, 1984, in Portland. Services are pending. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Mike with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Juan Vargas Flores

Nov. 19, 1962 — Oct. 20, 2021

Hammett, Idaho

Juan Vargas Flores, 58, of Hammett, Idaho, died Oct. 20, 2021, in Homedale, Idaho. He was born Nov. 19, 1962, in Jalisco, Mexico. A rosary was held Saturday, Oct. 30, 2021, and was followed by a funeral Mass at at Our Lady of Angels Catholic Church, Hermiston. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Juan with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Ira Daniel Bozarth

Aug. 31, 1945 — Oct. 18, 2021

Boardman

Ira Daniel Bozarth, 76, of Boardman, died Oct. 18, 2021, at his home. He was born Aug. 31, 1945, in Peoria, Oklahoma. A celebration of life will be held Saturday, Nov. 6, 2021, at 10 a.m. at the Boardman Marina Park Pavilion. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Ira with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Louisa Rosabel Jaramillo

Aug. 2, 1932 — Oct. 29, 2021

Hermiston

Louisa Rosabel Jaramillo, 89, of Hermiston, died Friday, Oct. 29, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born Aug. 2, 1932, in Weaverville, Colorado. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

Terri Denise Carter

June 2, 1966 — Oct. 28, 2021

Hermiston

Terri Denise Carter, 55, of Hermiston, died Thursday, Oct. 28, 2021, in Portland. She was born June 2, 1966, in Weaverville, California. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

June Carol Geer

Oct. 27, 1944 — Oct. 29, 2021

Hermiston

June Carol Geer, 77, of Hermiston, died Friday, Oct. 29, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born Oct. 27, 1944, in Malden, Massachusetts, the daughter of Raymond and Flora (Clifford) Bjork. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

James D. 'Jim' Kooch

March 8, 1947 — Oct. 27, 2021

Hermiston

James D. "Jim" Kooch, 74, of Hermiston, died Wednesday, Oct. 27, 2021, at his home. He was born March 8, 1947, in Enterprise. Services are pending. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Jim with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

BIRTHS

GOOD SHEPHERD MEDICAL CENTER, HERMISTON

Oct. 22, 2021

MORENO — Zoey Branson and Julio Moreno of Hermiston: a girl, Zaylee Amora Moreno.

BRIEFS

Library friends turn page with holiday bazaar

The Friends of the Irrigon Library are preparing to host its annual Holiday Bazaar.

In its third year, the sale kicks off Friday, Nov. 5, noon to 4 p.m. at 490 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon. It continues Saturday, Nov. 6, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

In addition to a variety of vendors, a raffle offers a chance to win great prizes, including a 43-inch Samsung TV, a small patio set, a Hoover carpet cleaner and more.

For questions, call the library at 541-922-0138 or email gk david@bmi.net.

Martin Gerschwitz to perform at Sno Road

Multi-instrumentalist Martin Gerschwitz plays everything from classical music to psychedelic rock — and he's returning to

Eastern Oregon for a performance in Echo.

Gerschwitz is said to provide a versatile and unique experience for audiences. See for yourself — Saturday, Nov. 6, 3:30 p.m. at Sno Road Winery, 111 W. Main St., Echo. Food and beverages will be available.

Known for his mastery of the keyboards and violin, the musician previously performed with Iron Butterfly, Eric Burdon and the Animals, Meat Loaf, Walter Trout Band and more. Honing his classical training and rock influences, Gerschwitz

created his own style.

For more information, call 541-376-0421 or visit www.facebook.com/snoroadwinery.

Echo hosts Veterans Day parade, assembly

Veterans will be honored Thursday, Nov. 11, during events organized by the Echo School District.

The activities begin with a parade escorted by first responders at 10 a.m. It will start in front of the school on Gerone Street

and loop around to Main Street and back. People are encouraged to social distance or park along the parade route.

Veterans and their families are invited to an assembly at 1 p.m., in the school's gymnasium. Masks are required indoors.

To recognize honored guests, veterans are asked to submit their name, branch of service and dates served. For questions or to provide veteran information, contact Billie Parker at 541-376-8436 or bjparker@echosd5.org.

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