

OBITUARIES

Evelyn Diane Leahy

April 20, 1953 — Nov. 9, 2021
Medford

Evelyn Diane Leahy was born April 20, 1953, in Pendleton, Oregon. She died Nov. 9, 2021, at her home in Medford, Oregon, in the loving presence of her four children.



Leahy

Diane, the daughter of Ronald and Evelyn Black, spent her formative years in Boardman, Oregon. She graduated from Riverside High School as valedictorian in 1971, and went on to Eastern Oregon College, where she received a Bachelor of Science in Education, Magna Cum Laude.

In 1978, Diane started working at Bechtel, where she met James Leahy. They got married in 1979 and shared a life rich in love, family, and travel until his passing in 2018.

Diane had a deep fondness for the open skies of Eastern Oregon, yet lived in many places: Oregon, Montana, Oregon, California, England, back to California, Oregon again, Maryland, California yet again, and back to Oregon. Her sense of adventure took her to all corners of the earth. Her favorite spots included the Amalfi Coast, Malta, Jamaica, Ireland, and Portugal.

She was a consummate host who brought music, dancing and laughter into all of her homes. Diane had an uncanny ability to make others feel understood and accepted. As a result, she created community everywhere she went.

Diane's kindness will be her legacy. A natural-born teacher, she imbued her children with strong morals and a sense of independence. They are forever grateful.

Diane is survived by her children, Andrew, Alexandra, Allison, Amanda; and grandchildren, Iris, Cooper, Nathaniel, Robert Alden and Julian Avery.

Her funeral was held at Riverview Cemetery in Boardman at 10 a.m., Sunday, Nov. 14, 2021. A private, family celebration of life will take place in Medford on Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2021. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. As an expression of sympathy, memorial contributions may be sent to Riverside High School.

Please share memories of Diane with her family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Larry Wayne Shoemake

Nov. 24, 1953 — Nov. 1, 2021
Hermiston

Larry Wayne Shoemake loved his community and his AA family. Heck, Larry loved everyone. He was extremely selfless and had a heart of gold. He offered support and even opened his home as a refuge to many friends in need. Perhaps most of all, he loved his dogs; first Buddy, then Rex, then Dietz. Even if you didn't know his name, you saw him all over Hermiston with a dog by his side.



Shoemake

He passed away in Richland, Washington, Nov. 1, 2021, at the age of 67. The family lived in Milton-Freewater at the time of his birth but moved all over the state Oregon, following his father's construction jobs. Larry graduated from Riverside High School in Boardman in 1972, then joined the United States Navy. He proudly served our country in the Vietnam War, before being honorably discharged in 1976.

Larry then settled in the Hermiston area and joined the security guard force at the Umatilla Army Depot, where he worked until 1997. He never really stopped working though, as he continued to take on various local jobs and countless side projects for friends and family, from small engine repair to helping build his cousin Brett's cabin. Larry had a passion for understanding how things worked and an insatiable need to take things apart and try to improve them.

Larry loved to hunt, fish, and attend NHRA drag races. He was also a movie buff, regularly frequenting Hermiston's theater and drive-in over the years. He

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He is survived by his brothers, Daniel (Jan) Shoemake of Boardman, Oregon, and Richard Shoemake of Western Oregon; and half-brothers, Ron (Debbie) Shoemake of Litchfield, Arizona, and Ken (Jera) Shoemake of Pasco, Washington; as well as countless nephews and nieces, cousins and extended family.

He was preceded in death by his parents. The family would like to specifically thank the Hermiston community for all the love you returned to Larry over the past 40-plus years. He was not without his struggles, and in times of need, we were amazed by the support and generosity you all showed.

A family gathering will be announced at a later date. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Please share memories of Larry with his family at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Ronald Dale Hiskey

June 7, 1943 — Nov. 11, 2021
Kennewick

It is with deep sorrow and much love that we mourn the passing of Ronald Dale Hiskey, of Kennewick, Washington, on Nov. 11, 2021, at the age of 78.



Hiskey

A celebration of life service will be held Friday, Nov. 19, 2021, at 1 p.m. at Burns Mortuary Chapel, Hermiston. Burial will follow at the Hermiston Cemetery. His family will be there to welcome loved ones.

Ron was born June 7, 1943, in Tulare, California. He was youngest of five children born to Howard and Eunice Hiskey. He grew up in Hermiston, Oregon, with siblings, Patricia Hiskey, Howard Hiskey, and Sondra Hiskey (Plass).

As a teen, his passion was playing basketball and he excelled at the sport both in high school and college. In 1965, Ron married Mary Magee of Pendleton, Oregon, and a few years later had two children, Heidi and Corey. In the late 1970s, Ron opened a family run furniture store in Pendleton and remained in the furniture business until his retirement. He loved the outdoors and spent time camping, hunting and fishing.

Throughout his life, Ron desired to make everything memorable for his friends and family.

He referred to himself as "Grandpa Dumbo" starting with his first grandchild (due to his fondness of Disneyland and the charac-

ter Dumbo). The nickname stuck to the point where some of his grandkids didn't even realize his name was Ron until they were in their teens.

In the early 1990s, Ron moved to Kennewick, Washington, where he met Linda Ackerman. They married in 1997 and spent 25 wonderful years together surrounded by many children and grandchildren. Ron's sense of humor brought smiles to many people throughout his lifetime. His smile and laughter will be missed.

Ron is survived and will be lovingly remembered by his wife, Linda, and her children, Gerilyn, Candice and Greg; ex-wife, Mary; daughter, Heidi; son, Corey and wife, Nicole; grandchildren, Jessica, Justin, Torrey, Dalton, Cambria, Alexandra, William, Kyle, Alyssa, Sydney, Courtney, Katie, Chris and Max; great-grandchildren, Jaeda, Chloe, Adah Cole, Bruin and two on the way; sisters, Patricia and Sondra; brother, Howard; as well as numerous extended family members and friends.

Ron was proceeded in death by his mother, Eunice and stepfather, Red Shockman; father, Howard and stepmother, Josephine Hiskey; and his infant sister, Betty.

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

Lilly Y. Chinn

Dec. 27, 1930 — Nov. 10, 2021
Hermiston

Lilly Y. Chinn, of Hermiston, was born Dec. 27, 1930, in Guang Zhou, Toi Shan, Nam Chuan, China, the daughter of Hay Yee and Kam Yee (Chinn) Wong. She passed away in Hermiston Wednesday, Nov. 10, 2021, at the age of 90.

Lilly grew up and attended her school in China. She met and married Daniel Edward Chinn in China in 1948. In 1949, the couple fled mainland China during the Communist takeover and moved to Hong Kong. They moved to the United States and settled into Hermiston, Oregon, in 1952 where she has resided since. Lilly owned and operated the Hong Kong Cafe Restaurant in Hermiston for many years until retiring in 1996. She also bought and sold real estate in the Hermiston area for many years.

Lilly enjoyed gardening, painting, doing arts and crafts and was a member of the Arts & Crafts on the Dry Side Club. She was a long time member of St. John's Episcopal Church in

Hermiston.

She is survived by her children, Pearl Stein of Issaquah, Washington, Sherry Chinn of Hermiston and Bill Chinn of Castro Valley, California; two grandchildren, Spencer Chinn and Koen Chinn; sisters, Diane Tang of San Francisco, and Irene Shu of Oregon City; and several extended family members.



Chinn

She was preceded in death by her husband Daniel in 1991; her parents; an infant brother and an adopted brother, Sidney Wong.

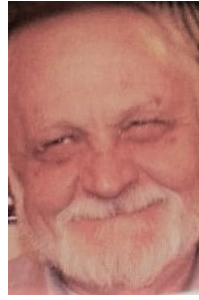
A memorial service was held at 10 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2021, at Living Faith Church, 1611 Diagonal Blvd., Hermiston. The service will also be livestreamed from the Living Faith Church website, YouTube channel and Facebook page. A private burial will be in the Heppner Masonic Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston.

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

Larry G. Buckingham

Aug. 26, 1961 — Nov. 15, 2021
Hermiston

Larry G. Buckingham, of Hermiston, was born Aug. 26, 1961, in Kennett, Missouri, the son of James and Dona (Boomer-shine) Buckingham. He passed away peacefully with his wife and daughters at his bedside Nov. 15, 2021, in Hermiston. It was a beautiful moment that he no longer had to fight or be in pain. He was 60 years old.



Buckingham

wasn't one to give hand-outs but instead made you work for what you wanted in life. He was a passionate man who took pride in the homes he built. He was either your best friend or your worst enemy.

Larry was married to a wonderful wife, Sheri Parrott. He was blessed to have raised three daughters, Lynn Hoyt, Shannon Buckingham and Ashley Buckingham-Garcia; his

Old school cowboy is what some would say. He loved the rodeo, dancing, hunting and had a passion for building homes. Larry was one you could call day or night and at the drop of a hat he would be there for you. He was a true fighter and fought hard for everything he wanted. He

daughters blessed him with eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild. No services are planned.

Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. To leave an online condolence for Larry's family please go to burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

BIRTHS

GOOD SHEPHERD MEDICAL CENTER, HERMISTON

- Nov. 7, 2021**
KRAMER — Alexis LeAnn Selzler and Robert Jordan Kramer of Hermiston: a girl, Presley Rose Kramer.
Nov. 9, 2021
MUNIZ — Jessica Garcia and Omar Muniz of Irrigon: a girl, Leilani Muniz.
- CHI ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL, PENDLETON**
Nov. 4, 2021
PARKS — Jana Marie Parks and Brent Marion Parks of Hermiston: a girl, Vey Marie Parks.

DEATH NOTICES

Janice Marie 'Jan' and Norman 'Norm' Frank Eppenbach

July 4, 1947 — April 22, 2020 and Feb. 10, 1939 — Oct. 31, 2021
Umatilla

Janice Marie "Jan" Eppenbach, 72, longtime Umatilla resident, died April 22, 2020, in Seattle. She was born July 4, 1947, in Pendleton.

Norman "Norm" Frank Eppenbach, 82, of Umatilla, died Oct. 31, 2021, at his home. He was born Feb. 10, 1939, in Warroad, Minnesota.

A celebration of life potluck gathering for Norman and Janice will be Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, at 5 p.m., at New Hope Community Church, 1350 S. Highway 395, Hermiston. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Robert V. 'Bob' Scaplehorn

Feb. 18, 1945 — Nov. 7, 2021
Umatilla

Robert V. "Bob" Scaplehorn, 76, of Umatilla, died Nov. 7, 2021, at his home. He was born Feb. 18, 1945, in the Bronx, New York. Services are pending. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Gary L. Skogley

Nov. 5, 1955 — Nov. 7, 2021
Hermiston

Gary L. Skogley, 66, of Hermiston, died Nov. 7, 2021, at his home. He was born Nov. 5, 1955, in Othello, Washington. A private family gathering will be held. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

Clara 'Ellen' Brown

Dec. 19, 1928 — Nov. 4, 2021
Hermiston

Clara "Ellen" Brown, 92, of Hermiston, died Nov. 4, 2021, in Hermiston. She was born Dec. 19, 1928, in Kendrick, Idaho. A memorial service will be held Saturday, Dec. 4, 2021, at 2 p.m. at the First Christian Church, Hermiston. A private burial will be at the Hermiston Cemetery. Arrangements are with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Share memories at burnsmortuaryhermiston.com.

POLICE LOG

MONDAY, NOV. 8

11:40 a.m. — Hermiston police responded to a report of an assault at the intersection of Northwest 13th Street and West Hartley Avenue.
3:32 p.m. — The Umatilla County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a vehicle theft at Western Express on 28810 Stafford Hansel Road, Hermiston.
5:21 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to a report of an assault on the 300 block of West Theater Lane.

TUESDAY, NOV. 9

11:35 a.m. — A resident on East Coe Avenue, Stanfield, reported someone entered their home while it was unoccupied and moved items around, but nothing seemed to be missing.
1:16 p.m. — A person dropped by the Hermiston Police Department, 330 S. First St., and reported there was a

man at a site on West Highland Avenue eating leaves, throwing his hat in the air and licking it and smoking something. The person was gone when officers checked the area.
4:31 p.m. — A Hermiston resident reported the theft of his wallet with \$800 in cash and bank cards from his home. He said his girlfriend may have taken it. Police took a report.

WEDNESDAY, NOV. 10

8:18 a.m. — A Hermiston resident asked to speak to an officer about his ex who is driving his car and has not installed an interlock system and is drinking because of the break up.
4:32 p.m. — A caller reported a person was stealing items from a back yard on Northwest Third Street, Hermiston. Police took a report.

THURSDAY, NOV. 11

11:45 a.m. — Hermiston police

responded to reports of a burglary on the 800 block of West Orchard Avenue.

4:04 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to a reported burglary on West Madrona Avenue.
FRIDAY, NOV. 12

9:05 a.m. — A vehicle crashed into a utility pole at Diagonal and North Edwards roads, Hermiston, knocking down some lines from the pole.

4:51 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to the 800 block of South Highway 395 on a report of a robbery.
7:04 p.m. — Emergency services responded to South Earl Street, Stanfield, for a motor home on fire.
SATURDAY, NOV. 13

7:18 p.m. — A resident on Craig Road, Hermiston, reported people parked in two vehicles on Shoop Lane near his house were suspicious and yelling.

8:13 p.m. — A 911 caller reported hearing gunshots on Highway 207, Echo.

SUNDAY, NOV. 14

10:31 p.m. — A caller reported hearing four gunshots coming from west of Northwest Oregon Avenue, Irrigon.
MONDAY, NOV. 15

2:26 p.m. — Hermiston police responded to the 600 block of South First Street on a report of an assault.
ARRESTS, CITATIONS

Nov. 10
Umatilla police arrested Veronica Gutierrez, 42, for fourth-degree assault and interfering with a law enforcement report.

Nov. 12
Stanfield police arrested Ridge Christian Matzen, 28, for violating probation, providing false information to

law enforcement and driving with a suspended or revoked license.

Nov. 13
Hermiston police arrested Luizinho Martinez Penalzoa, 28, for strangulation and violating a restraining order, both misdemeanors.

An Oregon State Police trooper at 10:17 p.m. on Highway 395 near milepost 3A, Umatilla, saw two vehicles take off from a stop light at high speeds and with engines hitting "high audible" revolutions per minute. The trooper stopped one vehicle, a gray Chevrolet Camaro. The 17-year-old male driver from Hermiston admitted he and the other driver were racing, according to OSP. The teen also was driving without a license.

The trooper had a tow truck take the Chevrolet, and the teen got a ride from a friend.