

Obituaries

Barbara F. Shaw

Oct. 25, 1929 — Sept. 23, 2015



Barbara Shaw

Barbara F. Shaw, 85, of Arch Cape, passed unexpectedly Sept. 23, 2015. She was born to the late Ralph and Lucy Forbes, Oct. 25, 1929, in Seattle, Washington. Barbara and family often vacationed to Arch Cape, Oregon, and eventually acquired property there as the family getaway.

She graduated from Queen Ann High School and went on to received her B.A. in art from Lewis and Clark College in 1951. After graduation, she married James R. Shaw June 9, 1951, and raised two sons in California until coming home to Arch Cape, as she put it, in 1978.

Barbara was very passionate about helping women get and further education, and joined the NY PEO (Philanthropic Education Organization) 60 years ago in Redding, California. To continue this desire, Barbara helped charter the FB PEO Cannon Beach, Oregon chapter, and is the last of 13 original charter members.

Barbara was constantly

doing for others. Many of us have been exposed to her resilience and strength in this community, always at the right place, right time, to solve the problem or just be a great friend. For 85 years her life's passions never slowed, from the everyday walks on the beach, to running her bed and breakfast for 35 years in Arch Cape, maintaining her vegetable garden, playing the organ at the First Church of Christian Science in Gearhart, going to the garden club, to the book club, and babysitting her granddaugh-

ter from time to time. This kind of fortitude, and giving, has left all her friends and family knowing how much she loved us all.

Barbara is survived by her husband, James R. Shaw of Arch Cape, Oregon; two sons, James R. Shaw III of Pleasant Hill, California, and Robert S. Shaw of Manzanita, Oregon; and two grandchildren, Benjamin D. Shaw of Humboldt, California, and Emma M. Shaw of Manzanita, Oregon.

Memorial contributions can be made to Chapter FB Cannon Beach PEO, awarded in her name: Women Seeking Advancement, c/o Janet Kenny, P.O. Box 2118, Gearhart, OR 97138-2218.

A celebration of Barbara will be held on Sunday, Oct. 25, between 2 and 5 p.m., at the new Arch Cape Fire Station, 79279 U.S. Highway 101, located just after the Cannon Beach wayside pull-out on the east, coming from the north on Highway 101; from the south, just after the Castle Rock Estates.

Gertrude (McKay) Sharp

Sept. 20, 1920 — Sept. 24, 2015



Gertrude Sharp

Gertrude (McKay) Sharp, 95, of Seaside, passed away in her sleep on Sept. 24. Born Sept. 20, 1920, the fifth of eight children of Will and Nina McKay of Duluth, Minnesota, Gertrude grew up on the family estate along the shore of Lake Superior.

In 1942, Gertrude earned her nursing degree at St. Luke's, and was commissioned in the U.S. Army. She served during World War II in London, England, where she married Dr. Edward Sharp in 1945. After the war, the couple settled in his home town, Philadelphia, to establish their medical practice, and raised a family of three sons. As the boys grew up, Gertrude also worked as a registered nurse in the Philadelphia school system, and volunteered in local scouting activities. A sketch artist from youth, she contributed to publications and displays by regional and national medical associations.

Following the death of her husband, Gertrude moved first to the Seattle area, to

assist her own long-lived mother. In 1977 Gertrude chose Seaside as her permanent home, with its rocky beaches and limitless horizon of water, reminiscent of her original Great Lakes environment. She enjoyed beach combing and gardening, as well as biking on the Prom or around town. Cards and letters to friends and family would continue to include pen and ink sketches, well into her 90s. But in a generational leap-frog, she also embraced computers and email, and enjoyed reading classical

literature on her Kindle.

Gertrude is survived by her three sons, Robert, Donald, and Edward; her grandchildren, Nathaniel and Benjamin; great-grandchildren, Christian and Andrea, niece, Dr. Deborah McKay; and extended family. A private family service was held, with interment at Willamette National Cemetery.

Remembrances in Gertrude's honor may be made by any good deed or caring act, in the spirit she lived her life, and of her favorite verse, Romans 8:28.

Esther Cochran

May 16, 1927 — Oct. 4, 2015



Esther Cochran

Esther Catherine Cochran passed away in West Linn, Oregon, on Oct. 4, 2015, at the age of 88. Esther was born on May 16, 1927, in her grandmother's home in Los Angeles, California, to Everett and Margaret (Couppland) Cumow. She was the third of seven children.

Esther grew up in Hammond, Oregon, and lived in the Warrenton-Hammond area until 2011, when she relocated to West Linn. She attended Hammond Grade School and Warrenton High School.

After graduating from high school in 1945, she went to work at the Point Adams fish packing cannery in Hammond. She was proud of her ability to operate and troubleshoot the machinery where she was assigned to work. She told of lifting the 100-pound bags of salt used at the cannery, and how her boss switched to ordering 50-pound bags when her job was reassigned because the other workers couldn't carry the larger bags like she could.

She met Sam Cochran at a community dance in Hammond and they were married on June 11, 1954. Together they raised four children. Esther enjoyed working alongside Sam in many capacities, including building houses and taking care of the grounds and maintenance at Clatsop Plains Pioneer Presbyterian Church, where they were members for many years. She and Sam obtained real estate licenses and sold homes for a time in

the mid-1970s. Upon Sam's retirement, they became active in the Warrenton Senior Citizens' meals program and activities.

As a young woman, Esther enjoyed playing shuffleboard with friends at the Buoy 9 Tavern in Hammond, and she bowled on league teams in Astoria. She later took up golf, and often beat out the women and men in her party in their long drive distances. She loved to watch sports of any kind, and was an enthusiastic supporter of Warrenton High School teams. She brought a cowbell to the home football games and would ring it loudly to celebrate the Warrenton team's touchdowns.

Esther encouraged her children to learn to play musical instruments, and sat through many hours of piano lessons as all four children took their turns with the instructor. She had taken accordion lessons when she was young, and would on occasion play the waltzes that she had learned

years ago. She loved to go clam digging, take family camping trips when her children were young, and never passed up a good crab feed.

Esther's husband, Sam, passed away in December 2012. They had been married 58 years. She is survived by her children, Wanda of Portland, Sam Jr. of Yucca Valley, California, Casey of Warrenton, and Colleen of Vancouver, Washington; grandchildren, Will Cochran, Melissa Cochran, Amanda Cochran, Madison May and Emily Watson; great-granddaughter, Isla May; sister, Merna Lamprecht of Centralia, Washington; and many nieces and nephews. Her three brothers, William, James and Ralph, and two sisters, Viola Childers and Mary Lou Broberg, predeceased her.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Oct. 17, 2015, at 1 p.m. at Clatsop Plains Pioneer Presbyterian Church, 33324 Patriot Way, Warrenton, Oregon.

Remembrances can be posted on the Crown Memorial Centers website, www.aewtradition.com

For those who wish to make a memorial remembrance, the family suggests Warrenton Senior Citizens, P.O. Box 192, Warrenton, OR 97146.

Bonita Louise Stone DeGandi

Sept. 25, 1933 — Sept. 27, 2015



Bonita DeGandi

Bonita Louise "Bonnie" DeGandi passed away Sunday, Sept. 27, at Suzanne Elise Assisted Living in Seaside. Bonnie was born on Sept. 25, 1933, in Cathlamet, Washington, to Elmer and Carrie (Hampson) Stone.

Bonnie graduated with honors from Milwaukie High School in 1951, and Oregon College of Education in 1955 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education. She was president of her fraternity, Kappa Pi, and vice president of her senior class.

Bonnie married Leslie Allen DeGandi on Sept. 3, 1955, and entered her teaching career until they started a family. After her family got older, she returned to teaching and most notably taught first grade at Cannon Beach Elementary. She always fondly remembered her former students and staff at Cannon Beach. She teased that even though Les was principal at Cannon Beach, she was the boss at home.

She loved to share her teaching stories. Bonnie was an avid reader, loved arts and crafts, traveling, spending time with family,

socializing with friends, and adored her cat, Olé.

After 52 years of marriage, Les passed away in 2008. Bonnie is survived by three sons and daughters-in-law: Timothy and Lori DeGandi of Warrenton, Thomas and Susan DeGandi of Bend, and Tracy and Patricia DeGandi of Seaside. Grandchildren are: Christine, Timmy, Alicia (husband Garrett), Brittany (husband Ben), Tiffany, Cody, Katie, Mitchal, Nicholas, Benjamin, and Lori. Bonnie also had 12 great-grandchildren.

A graveside service will be held at Evergreen Cemetery on Beerman Creek Road, west entrance (same road where Bonnie and Les used to live), at noon on Sunday, Oct. 11.

Memorial contributions may be made to the Friends of the Seaside Public Library, in care of Hughes-Ransom Mortuary and Crematory, 220 N. Holladay Drive, Seaside, OR 97138

Hughes-Ransom Mortuary is in charge of the arrangements. An online guest book may be signed at www.hughes-ransom.com.

DEATHS

Oct. 9, 2015

McCOY, Juanita Belle, 75, of Seaside, died in Portland. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary in Seaside is in charge of the arrangements. A service is pending.

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