

OBITUARIES

Audrey Holbrook Hamrick

Twin Falls, Idaho

May 24, 1928 — Sept. 3, 2018

Audrey Holbrook Hamrick, longtime resident of Seaside, Oregon, passed away peacefully Sept. 3, 2018, in Twin Falls, Idaho.

Audrey was born in Kelso, Washington, May 24, 1928, the second of two children to William H. and Sally Wheaton Holbrook. She admired her only sister and best friend, Inez Irene Holbrook Shelley.

On Oct. 8, 1943, she married Raymond (Bill) Sanders in Blackfoot, Idaho. They had four children, Richard, Vickie, Sally and Debra. They later divorced.

On Dec. 28, 1986, she married Theodore (Ted) Cecil Hamrick in Chehalis, Washington. They made their home in Seaside, Oregon, where they enjoyed a view of the river and wildlife.

Audrey was very creative, enjoying sewing, crafts, gardening and cooking. She loved outdoor activities, including hunting and fishing. She had a genuine love for all things

living, often taking in injured animals. She had been an active member of the Women of the Moose and the American Legion.

She is survived by her children, Sally (Fletcher) Hartman and Debra (Debbie) Sanders; seven grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Audrey joins the awaiting arms of her loving husband, parents, cherished sister, wonderful niece, son Richard, daughter-in-law Juanita Goul Sanders, daughter Vickie Sanders Hanover, son-in-law Lonnie Hanover, and grandchildren Richard Hanover, Velma Audrea Taylor and Annie Hanover, all of whom have preceded her in death.

Audrey has requested no funeral services. In lieu of flowers, Audrey suggests family and friends make donations to Paralyzed Veterans or to Mooseheart.

All arrangements are being handled by Rosenau Funeral Home and Crematory in Twin Falls, Idaho.



Audrey Hamrick



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A lawsuit has been filed over a drowning in Seaside in 2016.

Family seeks damages after Seaside drowning

A \$3.6 million lawsuit is filed

By R.J. Marx
Seaside Signal

The family of an Oklahoma teenager who drowned in Seaside in 2016 has filed a \$3.6 million lawsuit against the city, claiming they were not warned about dangerous ocean conditions.

Conner Miguel Wu Moore, 14, of Tulsa, and his cousin were in the ocean at the foot of Broadway in July 2016 when lifeguards saw the teenagers struggling. After a rescue attempt, Moore was pronounced dead at Providence Seaside Hospital. His cousin survived.

The lawsuit, filed in July by L. Nicole Moore, Moore's mother, alleges the teens were swimming in waters next to an area that is "particularly dangerous and this extremely hazardous condition was not obvious to an ordinary person." The suit said Moore was recovered in an area known to

have a "precipitous drop-off."

Seaside did not post appropriate warning signs and lifeguards did not alert the family to the potential danger, the suit alleges.

The lawsuit seeks \$3 million in damages for Moore's death. The family is also asking for a \$691,200 penalty against the city for releasing Moore's name, age and medical information to the news media. The suit claims the disclosure was a violation of

federal and state medical privacy laws.

Reached in Tulsa on Thursday, L. Nicole Moore said she had no additional comment.

Richard Freud, an attorney with Citycounty Insurance Services, which is defending Seaside, declined to comment on the lawsuit or the underlying facts of the situation.

At the time of the drowning, the city said the teenagers were visiting the North Coast for a family reunion.

Marian Doumit Peterson

Seaside

Dec. 9, 1913 - Aug. 25, 2018

Marian Doumit Peterson passed away in Seaside, Oregon, on Saturday, Aug. 25, 2018. Marian was born in Cathlamet, Washington, on Dec. 9, 1913, to John and Helen Doumit.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Peterson, and seven of her siblings.

Marian is survived by her sister, Helen Wampler of Fresno, California; her daughter, Linda (Russell) Keizer of Warrenton, Oregon; her son, Robert (Phyllis) Peterson of Eagle, Idaho; four grandchildren, Douglas Sampson of Warrenton, Oregon, Melissa Saul of Ewa Beach, Hawaii, Katie Dolby of Boise, Idaho, and Rob Peterson of

Lake Oswego; and 13 great-grandchildren.

Marian was a past member of the Astoria Golf & Country Club, an avid bridge player and member of the American Contract Bridge Association.

She spent over 5,000 volunteer hours at Providence Seaside Hospital, and was a member of Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church.

A memorial will be held on Friday, Sept. 28, 1918, at Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church. A rosary is at 10:30 a.m., and Mass is at 11 a.m.

A luncheon reception will follow at the Astoria Golf & Country Club.



Marian Peterson

Bergin will not seek re-election as sheriff

Sheriff was diagnosed with kidney cancer

By Jack Heffernan
The Daily Astorian

Clatsop County Sheriff Tom Bergin will not seek re-election in 2020.

Bergin, 60, has spent 33 years in law enforcement. He was first elected sheriff in 2004 and is serving his fourth four-year term.

"I've decided. I've told everybody I won't be running for a fifth term," Bergin said. "Sometimes you've just got to step back and take a breath for yourself, which is not in my DNA."

This year has been particularly challenging on the sheriff's health. Bergin was diagnosed with kidney cancer about four months ago. He underwent surgery in August to remove half of a kidney.

Bergin took 1 1/2 weeks off after the surgery but is beginning to return to his normal routine, he said. The cancer has a high survivability rate, and he will likely be monitored by doctors for another year.

Bergin said the cancer was not the primary factor in his decision to not run again, but it did give him "a whole new outlook on life."

"I'm feeling pretty good," Bergin said. "I've had to walk a little slower, but I'll be good to go in another week or so."

Bergin started as a reserve officer with the Seaside police in 1985 before he was hired full time about a year later. He became a sheriff's deputy in 1992.

Bergin started the office's first K-9 unit and became a sergeant in 1996. During his patrol years, he was heavily involved in narcotics enforcement, spending some time working undercover. He became Sheriff John Raichl's chief deputy in 2003.

"Tom was very active in different departments. I think that really, really helped him," Raichl said. "It has to be a good balance, and that's a plus as an administrator."

In his time as sheriff, the office has undergone extensive modernization. The office used to be located in cramped quarters below the Clatsop County Jail. It relocated to a newer, larger facility in Warrenton in 2016.

"During the time Tom's been sheriff, I think the sheriff's office has been highly functional and highly responsive to the needs of citizens," County Manager Cameron Moore said. "We obviously expect that, but we know that comes from the sheriff's leadership."

Bergin is known for being outspoken about his conservative beliefs. The sheriff opposed Measure 88 in 2014, which — if it passed — would have allowed undocumented immigrants to acquire driver's cards.

This year, Bergin has actively supported Measure 105, a November ballot measure that

would repeal Oregon's sanctuary law. He wrote a letter last week — with 15 other sheriffs from around the state — outlining his reasons for backing the measure and participating in immigration enforcement.

"Although Tom and I disagree fundamentally on a lot of political matters, I've found him to be a good man and a good sheriff," District Attorney Josh Marquis said.

After the Great Coastal Gale of 2007, when many county roads became impassable, Bergin advocated heavily for legislation allowing hazardous trees to be removed from state highways. Despite pushback from groups hoping to preserve the trees, a bill was passed in 2012 allowing for the clearances.

During the storm, Bergin helped with field operations, including pulling people out of flooded areas.

"Tom has always been out there in person," Marquis said. "In some ways, he's like an old-fashioned sheriff."

In addition to daily tasks, Bergin has a big item on his agenda over the next several weeks. The sheriff will be the leading voice in support of a November bond measure to relocate the county jail from Astoria to the site of the former North Coast Youth Correctional Facility in Warrenton at a \$20 million price tag. The county has attempted to expand the jail in two previous bond measures, including one with Bergin as sheriff in 2012.

After the election and beyond, Bergin plans to continue serving full time as the county's top cop until his term expires in two years.

"It's just something that's important to me," Bergin said. "You're all stuck with me for a while longer."

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