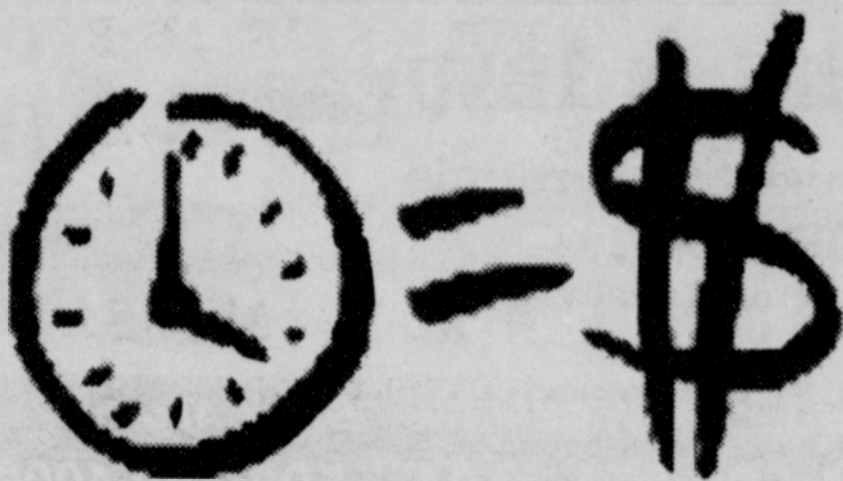


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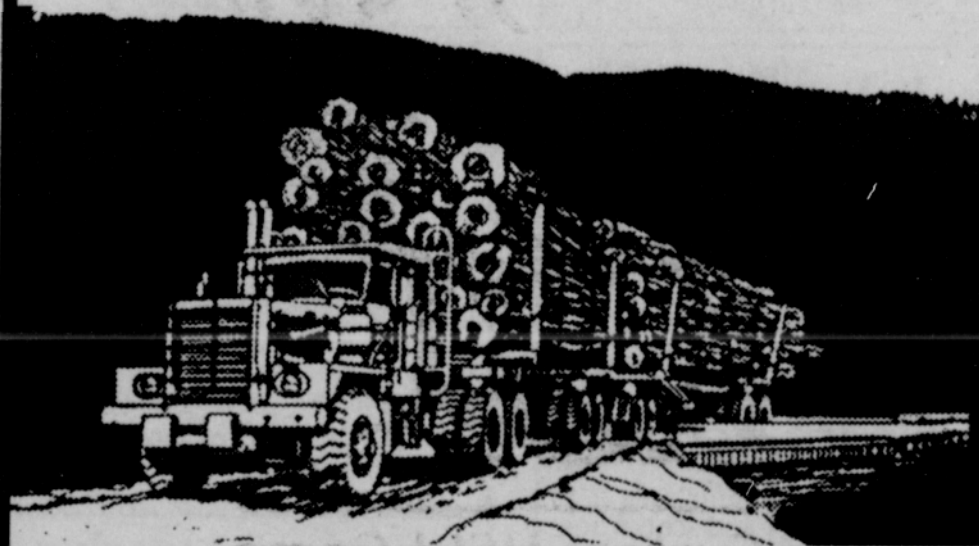


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MARK L. VUYLSTEKE

Mark L. Vuylsteke, 42, Cornelius, died September 11, 2003. A memorial service was held September 17 at St. Matthew Catholic Church in Hillsboro, with Fr. Juan Jose Gonzales and Chaplain Bryan McKelvey, of the Washington County Sheriff's Office, conducting. Mr. Vuylsteke was born July 7, 1961, in Hillsboro, to Paul and Marian Vandehey Vuylsteke. He grew up in Hillsboro and graduated from Hillsboro High School in 1980.

In 1980, he married Alison Strachan. They lived in Forest Grove and moved to Cornelius in 1992.

He worked for Merix Corporation and for the City of Yamhill as a police officer. He was chief of the Gaston Police Department for five years and previously served as a reserve officer.

Mr. Vuylsteke was a volunteer with the Forest Grove Fire Department for 10 years.

He was preceded in death by his father.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Derek L. of Cornelius and Ryan J. of Vernonia; his mother, of Hillsboro; three sisters, Donna Sohler of McMinnville, Patty Duval of Portland, and Janet Judah of Cornelius; a brother, Dale of Hillsboro; several nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to the Mark L. Vuylsteke Memorial Fund, c/o Columbia Community Bank, Forest Grove Branch, Attn. Joan Gilman, 2811-19th Ave., Forest Grove, OR 97116, or to the Forest Grove Fire & Rescue Volunteer Program, 1919 Ash St., Forest Grove, OR 97116.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Forest Grove was in charge of arrangements.

FRANCIS W. VANDECOEVERING

Francis Walter "Skip" Vandecoevering, 59, North Plains, died September 2, 2003. A funeral mass was celebrated September 6 at St. Edward Catholic Church in North Plains, with Bishop Kenneth Steiner, celebrant. Graveside services were at St. Edward Catholic Cemetery in North Plains.

Mr. Vandecoevering was born April 4, 1944, in Forest Grove, to Walter and Dorothy Delplanche Vandecoevering. He grew up in North Plains and graduated from Hillsboro High School in 1962.

In 1965, he married Elizabeth VanGrunsven. They lived in North Plains.

He worked as a millright for Shadybrook Lumber.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Doug of Reedsville; a daughter, Kristine of Hillsboro; his mother of North Plains; four sisters, Doris of North Plains, Bernita Robinson of Vernonia, Joanne Witham of North Plains, and Carol Loza of Vancouver, Wash.; many nieces and nephews.

Donelson, Sewell & Mathews Mortuary in Hillsboro was in charge of arrangements.

FRANCIS E. HITCHMAN

Francis Elmer Hitchman, 89, Forest Grove, died September 11, 2003. A memorial was held September 19 at the Forest Grove Elks Lodge.

Mr. Hitchman was born October 12, 1913, in Underwood, Wash., to Frank and Jenny Hitchman. After leaving school, he became a logger.

In 1946, he married Margaret Bernash. He worked for Brodersen's in Forest Grove as a linoleum layer. After retirement, they moved to Nehalem. He was janitor at Garibaldi Elementary School. In 1974, they moved to Cornelius.

He was a member of the Elks and

the Cornelius Eagles.

Mr. Hitchman was preceded in death by his wife in 1995 and a daughter, Shari Bowman, in 1999.

Survivors include three daughters, Claudia Morrison of LaPine, Linda Spiering of Banks, and Kris Tina Croan of Tacoma, Wash.; 10 grandchildren; and 14 great-grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to the Forest Grove Fire Department, 1919 Ash St., Forest Grove, OR 97116.

LINN BOLMEIER

Linn Bolmeier, 61, Beaverton, died September 15, 2003. Graveside services were held September 18 at Vernonia Memorial Cemetery, with the Reverend John Cahill, pastor of First Baptist Church in Vernonia, officiating.

Mr. Bolmeier was born September 4, 1942, in Fargo, North Dakota, to Wesley L. and Ora Jean Hammerud Bolmeier. They moved to Erie, N. Dak., and then to Vernonia. He grew up in Vernonia and graduated from Vernonia High School in 1960.

He worked as an assembler for the B-Line Manufacturing Company in Portland.

Survivors include a sister, Gretchen Bush of Hillsboro; nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to the Ora Bolmeier Park Fund, c/o City of Vernonia, 1001 Bridge Street, Vernonia, Oregon 97064.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Vernonia was in charge of arrangements.

MELVIN C. MCNAMEE, SR.

Melvin Carl McNamee, Sr., 76, Vernonia, died September 20, 2003. Graveside service was held September 25 at Pleasant View Cemetery in Sherwood, with Pastor Dennis Brindley officiating.

Mr. McNamee was born December 24, 1926, in Springdale, to Alozo and Alvia Richardson McNamee. They moved to Stafford when he was eight years old. He served in the United States Army.

In 1949, he married Martha Bushbaum.

He worked as a rock runner for Portland Cement and retired in 1984. They moved to Woodburn in 1985 and to Vernonia in 1990.

Mr. McNamee was preceded in death by a son, Raymond, three brothers and one sister.

Survivors include his wife; a son, Melvin Jr. of Canby; a daughter, Cherry

Brown of Maupin; a brother, Laverne of Woodburn; five grandchildren; six great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to American Heart Association, c/o Attrell's Sherwood Chapel, 280 NW First St., Sherwood, Oregon 97140.

Attrell's Sherwood Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

ZADA M. SNOOK

Zada May Snook, 96, Vernonia, died September 27, 2003. Family graveside services will be held October 5 at 10:00 a.m. at Vernonia Memorial Cemetery. A memorial service will follow at 2:00 p.m. at Vernonia High School Gym, with Pastor Max Snook of St. Helens Bible Church, officiating. A potluck reception will be held following the memorial service at Vernonia Community Church, 957 State Avenue.

Mrs. Snook was born May 7, 1907, in Overton, Nebraska, to Kendall and Ida Cheney Dustin. She grew up in Overton and graduated from Overton High School in 1925.

In 1926, she married Virgil Lewis Snook. They lived in Overton and moved to Vernonia in 1933.

She was an active member of Vernonia Community Church and taught Sunday School for over thirty years. She also taught Bible classes and directed a Happy Hour Bible Club for kids, sponsored by the Union Gospel Mission.

Mrs. Snook was preceded in death by her husband in 1990; three brothers, Ellis, Luther and Mearl Dustin; and three sisters, Myra Dustin, Laura Bird, and Dollie Dustin.

Survivors include four sons, Melvin E. of Yorba Linda, California, Russell R. of Cornelius, Joe L. of Portland, Pastor Max R. of Deer Island; two daughters, Betty J. Jacobs of Yacolt, Washington, Alice A. Brown of Vernonia; twenty-one grandchildren; forty-five great-grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren; several nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to Zada M. Snook Memorial Fund, c/o Nehalem Valley Bible Church, P.O. Box 267, Vernonia, Oregon 97064, or to Washington County Hospice, 427 SE 8th Avenue, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Vernonia is in charge of arrangements.

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