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da. My daughter and I, along with my husband, made over 300 necklaces to send to Rwanda. They loved them. A small gift shows others you care. It also brings hope. Give where your heart is. If you are interested in donating funds, school supplies, toys or school uniforms, please contact me at

boshbunny@yahoo.com> or visit these websites: <www. friends-of-rwanda.org> <www.rwandapartners.org> <www.worldvision.org>, and <www.unicef.org>.

Thank you for making a dif-

Laura Trabosh Vernonia

Obituary

JOHN ALEXANDER BEAMISH

John Alexander "Johnny Beamish, 66, Vernonia, died July 25, 2005. A celebration of life was held July 31 in Vernonia.

Mr. Beamish was born December 7. 1937, in Boston, Massachusetts, to and Mary Lou (Hederson)

In 1955, he married Jo Ann Miller. They made their home in San Diego, California, and Yuma, Arizona, before moving to Vernonia in 1966. He worked in construction, logging, fishing and commercial clam digging in Alaska, before starting his own construction business, Johnny B Enterprises. He loved being in Vernonia's St. Patrick's Day parade each year and had someone meet him halfway so he could refill his candy pouch, so he wouldn't disappoint the kids. He became an ordained minister in 2002 and was proud to have been able to perform marriage ceremonies for two of his granddaughters.

Survivors include his wife; one son, John of Vicenza, Italy; three daughters, Debra Shaw of Gilchrist, Jill Gardner of Kelso, Washington, and Dawn Buckner of Vernonia; nine grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to a charity of choice or to Community Home Hospice Center.

The Neptune Society was in charge of cremation.

JANICE LAVON CAFFEY

Janice LaVon Caffey, 78, Portland, died July 17, 2005. A memorial service was held July 31 in Vernonia Foursquare Church.

Mrs. Caffey was born May 23, 1927, in Gopher, South Dakota. Her maiden name was Goodrich. She moved to Banks as a child and graduated from Banks High School, She lived in Denver for 20 years before moving to Forest Grove in 1966, then to Portland in

In 1989, she married Hugh D. Goodrich. She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include two sons, Daniel Malarkey and Charles Malarkey; a daughter, Kathleen Allen of Vernonia; a sister. Edith Dierickx: three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to a

American Burial was in charge of arrangements.

CHERYL DIANE KELSEY

Cheryl Diane Kelsey, 58, Forest Grove, died July 25, 2005. A celebration of life will be held August 6 from 2 to 6 p.m. at the home of Wade and Pat Ferris, 2615 12th St.

Mrs. Kelsey was born September 1, 1946, in Inglewood, California, to Howard and Gloria Patten Harris. She was raised in Fullerton, Calif. She was a hair dresser and owned and operated several salons, including Mane Street Hair Design in Banks, until her health caused her to retire.

Survivors include a daughter, April S. Griffin of Hillsboro; two brothers, David M. Harris of Marathon, Florida, and Richard S. Harris of Medford; a sister. Patricia J. Ferris of Forest Grove: two grandchildren; nieces and neph-

Remembrances are suggested to the American Diabetes Association, 380 SE Spokane, #110, Portland OR

Tualatin Valley Funeral Alternatives of Hillsboro was in charge of arrange-

FLORENCE PEARL LEE

Florence Pearl Lee. 91. Cornelius. died July 15, 2005. Graveside services were held July 20 in Union Point Cemetery, in Banks, with the Rev. C. Eugene Sabin officiating.

Ms. Lee was born May 27, 1914, in Banks, to Herbert D. and Martha H. (Harness) Wiswell. She was raised in

In 1935, she married Melvin J. 'Pete" Lee. They made their home in Forest Grove and Dilley, then moved to Cornelius in 1943. They divorced in 1955. She worked scaling logs at Gales Peak Lumber Co., for Hudson House Cannery, for Perfection Bakery, as a cook for Forest Hills Golf Course, for the Battery Factory, for Woodfold Marco Door Manufacturing Co., and for B.P. John Furniture Manufacturing Co. as a floor supervisor in the upholstery department until retiring in 1977.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, Wes Wiswell and Richard Hendrick, and a sister, Juanita Spencer.

Survivors include two sons, Milton H. "Snook" Lee of Forest Grove and Melvin J. "Hap" Lee, Jr. of Cornelius; one sister, Reatha Strange of Hillsboro, Texas; a step-sister, Etta Miller of Selma; four grandchildren; nine greatgrandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to Forest Grove Fire & Rescue, 1919 Ash St., Forest Grove, OR 97116 or to the American Heart Association, Oregon Affiliate, Inc., 1200 N.W. Naito Parkway #200, Portland, OR 97209.

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

CLARA G. LYONS

Clara G. Lyons, 85, St. Helens, died July 16, 2005. A celebration of life was held July 23 at First Lutheran Church in St. Helens. Interment was at Columbia Memorial Gardens in Scappoose.

Mrs. Lyons was born February 23, 1920, in Killdeer, N. Dakota, to Lanson and Mabel (Smith) Ross. She moved to St. Helens as a young girl and graduated from St. Helens High School.

In 1940, she married James Lyons. They made their home in St. Helens. She worked at the Red Apple Market in St. Helens and never missed a day of work in 33 years. She retired in 1985.

She was preceded in death by her husband.

Survivors include one son; James of St. Helens; one daughter, Cheryl Lyons of North Bend; four brothers, Donald Ross of Shingletown, California, Ed of Banks, Albert and Lanson, both of Surprise, Arizona; one sister, Pearl Zilsdorf of Medora, N.D.; one grandson and one great-granddaugh-

THOMAS DAVID OWENS

Thomas David Owens, 85, Forest Grove, died July 17, 2005. Graveside services were held July 20 in Forest View Cemetery, with Pastor Paul Pastor, of the Evangelistic Ministries in Hillsboro, officiating.

Decatur, Texas, to Benjamin Franklin and Ollie Mae (McDaniels) Owens. He was raised in Decatur. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II on the U.S.S. Midway and the U.S.S. Kennedv.

Mr. Owen was born July 1, 1920, in



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In 1945, he married Lois Jean Mc-Cool. They made their home in Portland until moving to Astoria in 1948, Gaston in 1955, and to Hillsboro in 1976. He moved to Cornelius in 1987. then to Forest Grove in April 2005. He owned and operated Tom's Bar-

ber Shop in Hillsboro until he sold the shop in 1987, though he continued to barber there until he was 83. He was preceded in death by his

wife; two brothers, Howard and Frank; three sisters, Mabel, Beula Mae and

Survivors include his son, John D. of Vernonia; two daughters, Jean M. Rasmussen of Forest Grove and Luella R. Wiley of Cornelius; five grandchildren; five great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

Remembrances are suggested to Hospice of Washington County, 427 S.E. Eighth Ave., Hillsboro OR 97123.

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

GARY DUANE ROBERTSON

Gary Duane Robertson, 58, Vernonia, died July 18, 2005. Graveside services were held July 23 in Vernonia Memorial Cemetery.

Mr. Robertson was born January 18, 1947, in Forest Grove, to Elliott V. "Lige" and Arvela M. Christensen Robertson. He was a sixth generation Vernonian and graduated from Vernonia High School in 1965. He served in the U.S. Army in Vietnam. He worked in the timber industry.

He was preceded in death by his parents; four uncles and two aunts.

Survivors include a brother, Bud in Aloha; a sister, Jodi Queen of Carmichael. California: an uncle: five aunts; a great-aunt; nieces, nephews and cousins.

Remembrances are suggested to the National Association for the Terminally III, P.O. Box 368, Shelbyville, KY 40066.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Vernonia was in charge of arrange-



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