

**Obituary**

**GRACE "MARY" BRAL**



Grace "Mary" Bral, 82, North Plains, died May 1, 2012. A funeral mass was held May 17 at St. Edward Catholic Church in North Plains, followed by burial at the St. Edwards Catholic Cemetery.

Mrs. Bral was born March 1, 1930, in Roy, to George and Mary (Vandervelden) Vandehey. She was raised on the family farm in Roy. She graduated from Banks High School in 1948, then attended Marylhurst College for one year. She worked at Iron Fireman making gyros for the department of defense.

In 1953, she married John T. Bral. They made their home in North Plains.

She enjoyed her flower garden and vegetable garden. In the winter she would oil paint, quilt, sew and cook.

She was preceded in death by her husband and five siblings, Francis James, Larry, Neil, Lyle, and Jim Vandehey.

Survivors include six children, Peter Bral, David Bral, and Ann King, all of North Plains, Fr. Steven Bral of Italy, Alan Bral of Aloha, and Sr. Stefana Bral of Monaco; two brothers, Omar Vandehey of Banks, and Earl Vandehey of Forest Grove; and 11 grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to St. Francis of Assisi Catholic School, St. Edward Catholic Church, or to KBVM Radio.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**ALFREADA M. CUTRIGHT**

Alfreada "Freeda" Martha Cutright, 94, Banks, died May 26, 2012. A funeral mass was held June 2 at St. Francis Catholic Church, followed by vault interment at St. Francis Catholic Church. A complete

obituary will be published when available.

**JOHN MONROE KITCHEN**

John Monroe Kitchen, 67, Buxton, died May 11, 2012. Private cremation rites were held at the Hoyt Crematory in Forest Grove.

Mr. Monroe was born April 22, 1945, in Gentry, Arkansas, to Charlie and Launita (Hobbs) Kitchen. He was raised in Anderson, California, where he graduated from high school in 1963. He served in the U.S. Air Force.

In 1966, he married Sandra Pierce. They made their home in Buxton, starting in 1978. He worked as a truckdriver for Interstate Trucking Company for 20 years, retiring in 2010.

He enjoyed caring for his dog, Ziggerman.

He was preceded in death by his parents; a brother, Michael, and a sister, Judy Kitchen.

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Benjamin of Portland, and Christian of Buxton; three daughters, Sunni Brasseur of Cornelius, Stephanie Kitchen of Beaverton, and Samantha Kitchen of Buxton; four siblings, Carletta Houtman of Redding, Calif., James Kitchen, and Tawnia Shumaker, both of Anderson, Calif., and Shawn Barr of Arizona; 15 grandchildren; one great-grandchild; nieces and nephews.

Tualatin Valley Funeral Alternatives of Hillsboro was in charge of arrangements.

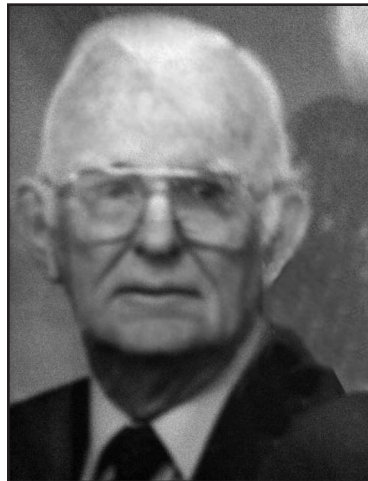
**HARRELL "HAL" J. LOOPER**

Harrell "Hal" Jones Looper, 88, Forest Grove, died May 20, 2012. Graveside services, with full military honors, were held May 25 at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

Mr. Looper was born November 18, 1923, in Magazine, Arkansas, to James Aaron and Mary (Jones ) Looper. He was raised and educated in Mansfield, Ark. He served in the U.S. Navy during World War II.

In 1946, he married Helen J. Jurhiewiez. They made their home in California before moving to Eddyville in 1963, then Toledo, before moving to Ft. Smith, Ark. In 2003, they moved to Forest Grove. He had been a construction superintendent for OSU, then later owned and operated Hal's Electric Company in Toledo. He was also an Electric Apprenticeship Instructor.

He enjoyed flying and amateur radio.



**Harrell "Hal" Looper**

Survivors include his wife; two sons, Wayne Looper of Banks, and Ken Looper of New Brighton, Minnesota; one daughter, Karen Kay of Forest Grove; six grandchildren, including Michael Kay of Vernonia; six great-grandchildren; nieces and nephews.

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

**CLAIR "BILL" W. MCPEAK**



Clair "Bill" William McPeak,

Jr., 83, Banks, died May 23, 2012. A memorial mass was held May 30 at St. Matthew Catholic Church. Burial, with military honors, was held at Willamette National Cemetery in Portland.

Mr. McPeak was born September 16, 1928, in Banks, to Clair W. and Hulda (Jahola) McPeak, Sr. He graduated from Banks High School and later attended a secondary school for two years to learn electronics. He served in the U.S. Air Force during the Korean War.

In 1957, he married Madelyn Wilson. They made their home in Palatine, Illinois, then Phoenix, Ill., and Beaver Dam, Wisconsin before moving to Green Lake, Wis., in 1963. In 1975, they moved to Banks. He was a printing press repairman, and worked for Tektronix for 15 years, retiring at age 62. He had also worked in the family business, McPeak Trucking, and had operated C&M Mollasses in the late 1970s.

He enjoyed hunting, fishing, bowling, golfing, the outdoors, and dancing. He will be remembered for his storytelling.

He was preceded in death by his wife and two sisters, Wilma Vermiere and Molly Bailey.

Survivors include two daughters, Cathy McPeak of Aloha, and Laurie Jones of Fairview; five siblings, Earl McPeak of Palm Desert, California, James McPeak of Sutherlin, Karen Trine of Beaverton, Carol McPeak of Salem, and Mary Gager of Milford, Kansas; and two grandchildren.

Remembrances are suggested to Banks American Legion or to the Hillsboro VFW.

Duyck & VanDeHey Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**SUSANNE "SUE" M. OVIATT**



Susanna "Sue" Mary Oviatt, 64, Vernonia, died May 27, 2012. A memorial mass was held June 1 at Visitation Catholic Church in Verboort.

Mrs. Oviatt was born June 2, 1947, in Hillsboro, to Howard "Dutch" and Elizabeth "Betty" (Vanderzanden) Vandehey. She was raised on the family farm in Forest Grove, and graduated from Banks High School in 1965.

In 1966, she married Fred Oviatt. They made their home in Colorado Springs, Colorado, while her husband was in the Army. They moved to Beaverton in 1967, then to Hillsboro before moving to Vernonia in 1970. She worked at Tektronix, then retired from Intel.

She enjoyed sewing, quilting and reading.

She was preceded in death by her parents; and a sister,

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