

ABSHIER, Lloyd Everett

Chico Enterprise Record

1-31-2015

Lloyd Abshier

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Chico Enterprise-Record (Chico, CA) - Saturday, January 31, 2015

Durham CA United States

LLOYD ABSHIER January 24, 1921-January 24, 2015 Lloyd Abshier passed away on his ninety-fourth birthday in the same house in which he was born on Durham Street in Durham, California. Lloyd attended Durham schools and graduated from Durham High School in 1938. He married Bernice Bille in 1939 and was dedicated to her for the next seventy-four years. Lloyd volunteered for the United States Navy in 1944 and was honorably discharged in 1946. When he returned to Durham, he joined his father, Lawrence, in the family business, Abshier and Sons Blacksmith Shop. Over the years, Lloyd took part in many volunteer projects for the town of Durham. He was a member of the Durham Volunteer Fire Department, also serving as Chief. He joined the Durham Rotary Club in 1948 and was a member for over forty years. Lloyd loved and participated in the annual Durham May Day Parade. In the early years, he rode his horse in the parade; he rode a bike; and later he walked the parade route. Lloyd loved to surprise the parade watchers with his silly costumes and disguises. He was honored as Parade Marshall in 1973. After retirement, Lloyd and Bernice enjoyed traveling with their friends in the Good Sams group. Lloyd was preceded in death by his loving wife Bernice and his daughter Patricia. He is survived by daughters Virginia and Bille (Don); son Steven (Esther); eight grandchildren, Tracee, Mike, Karen, Richard, Michele, Amy, Stefanie, and Chad; seventeen great-grandchildren; and two great-great grandchildren. A celebration of life honoring both Lloyd and Bernice will be held on Saturday, February 14, 2015, 1:00 p.m., at the Durham Memorial Hall, 9139 Midway in Durham. Memorial contributions may be made to the Durham Volunteer Fire Department; Durham Rotary Club; or the Durham Women's Club.

BUXON, Michael
CRUISE, Kenneth
Paradise Post
2-17-2015

Michael Buxon, and Kenneth Cruise: Fatal Accident Two men killed in head-on crash near Concow Neither victim wearing seat belt

fatal accident Two men killed in head-on crash near Concow

Paradise Post (CA) - Tuesday, February 17, 2015

Concow Two men from Concow were killed Friday night in a head-on collision at Highway 70 and Pinkston Canyon Road, according to the California Highway Patrol.

Michael Buxon, 21, and Kenneth Cruise, 27, were both killed when the 1991 Nissan two-door vehicle hit a 2008 Ford F-150 around 8:50 p.m. Friday, according to a CHP press release.

Officers responding to the call found the Nissan blocking the westbound lane and the F150 on the shoulder, with the two men laying in the roadway.

It appeared they had been ejected from the vehicle, and both were pronounced dead at the scene. The factory-equipped seat belts in their vehicle appeared to have been modified and were not used by either man, the press release states.


Josiah White, 36, of Oroville was the driver of the F-150 and sustained cuts in the crash. He had been using his seat belt and the air bag had deployed.

No further details were released about the circumstances surrounding the crash. It was raining and windy at the time the accident occurred.

Contact reporter Ashley Gebb at 896-7768.

GILBERTSON, Marvin Leroy
Chico Enterprise Record
2-25-2015

Marvin Leroy Gilbertson

1928 - 2015  Obituary  Condolences



MARVIN LEROY GILBERTSON Born: March 1, 1928 New Richland, Minnesota Died: February 22, 2015 Yankee Hill, California Marvin "Gil" Gilbertson passed away at home on the morning of February 22nd, 2015. He spent the day previous, happy and fun filled at home where his grandchildren paid him a surprise visit, they played cards, watched the sunset and enjoyed dinner together. At sunrise, surrounded by family in a house filled with love Papa Gil was called home. Raised in Watertown, South Dakota, Gil, as he preferred to be called, grew up during the Great Depression, which spawned his dreams of a better life, a desire to go where the action was, a longing for a family of his own and a burning desire to be a success in business and life. Gil spent time In Kansas, Texas, California, Japan, and Denver, where he met his bride Patricia. Together they ventured to California to start their family and business pursuits. Gil and Pat spent time in the City of Orange, Garberville, and Yankee Hill. Gil is survived by his loving wife and partner in all - Patricia, their children and spouses - Scott and Irene, Kurt and Kim, Robert and Donna and Carol and Jim Bengson. Grand Children Heather and Joel Check, Erik, Matthew and Kyle Gilbertson, Kelsea, Kenny and Bailey Bengson. Gil's love of the Lord was shared in all he did as he enjoyed his many endeavors in life along with his greatest joys being his family, home, business and many friends. Services: Viewing - Thursday, Feb. 26 4-8 pm at Rose Chapel Paradise Memorial Friday Feb. 27 1 pm Masonic Lodge Clark Road Paradise Gathering - Yankee Hill Home 5 pm In Lieu of flowers please send Donations to: Masonic Home; Paradise Performing Arts; Yankee Hill Historical Society or the [charity of your choice.](#)

Wilson (Owens), Florence Alma

Florence Wilson (1929 - 2015)

Chico Enterprise Record 3/5/2015



FLORENCE WILSON Florence Alma Smith-Wilson, 86 of Oroville, CA, peacefully passed away on Feb. 25, 2015. Florence is preceded by her son, Skeeter Alvin Smith and brother William Phillip Owens. She is survived by; daughters, Rosella Tice and Cindy Clark, brothers; Adrian and Alfred Clark, sisters; Jacklyn McKinney, Shirley Baker Brown, Joyce Drake, and JoAnn Sisson, 13 grand-children, 15 great-grand-children, and 3 great-great grandchildren. Graveside services will be conducted on March 9, 2015 at 10am at Oroville Memorial Park Cemetery. Following will be a celebration of Florence's life at the Thermalito Grange Hall, in Oroville.

Wilson, Florence

Notes on Yankee Hill and Florence Wilson – Larry Mauch, Yankee Hill Historical Society, Feb 2015

I met Florence Wilson in 2007 when she approached the Yankee Hill Historical society about wanting to put a granite marker at the site of old Yankee Hill. Florence grew up in Yankee Hill in the 1930's. Florence and her then husband Skeet Smith purchased the property in 1949. Many of the old buildings were still there when they purchased the property. Michael Wells, the founder of Yankee Hill in 1858 built most of the buildings. His first and second home was still standing. There was an old hotel consisting of two buildings, the old Yankee Hill store. The Yankee Hill School was still standing as well. By 1965 only the old school was still standing. The hotel burned down several months after Florence and Skeet purchased the property when a tenant tipped over a kerosene lamp. There was still no power at Yankee Hill in 1949, it was put in about four years later. The other buildings were torn down over the years because they were in very poor condition. Florence tried to get the Butte County Historical Society to take the old school and move it but they declined. The school was torn down several years after Florence sold the property in 1965.

I joined the Yankee Hill Historical Society in 2006. One of the first people I interviewed was Florence. It was a real treat that helped cement my interest in local history. In 2007, I picked up Florence and we drove up to Yankee Hill in my pickup truck. I had a small recorder which I started when we first left the house in the truck. Unfortunately, there was a lot of road noise which makes parts of the recording hard to hear. It is a long recording and lasts about an hour. Florence was very candid with me about her life. I was impressed by her enthusiasm about her history, she was a strong woman who was a survivor. Life in the foothills was not easy but she made it work and didn't complain. I visited Florence several more times over the next three years. Because all of our archives are digital, Florence allowed me to scan many of her pictures and paperwork regarding the area's history. She was always helpful and enjoyed talking about the area's history, a very fascinating person that I was fortunate to meet. In 2005 Florence succeeded in her efforts to place a marker at the site of the old community of Yankee Hill.



McQUARRIE, Marvin Lee
Chico Enterprise Record
5-1-2015



Marvin Lee McQuarrie

Marvin Lee McQuarrie

Chico Enterprise-Record (Chico, CA) - Friday, May 1, 2015

Oroville CA United States

MARVIN LEE MCQUARRIE Marvin passed away on April 29, 2015 in Oroville, California. His Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at 3:00 PM at the Moose Lodge, 1462 14th Street, Oroville, California. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877. In lieu of flowers donations to ALS Association is appreciated. Please visit www.RamseyFuneralHomes.com to view full farewell and leave condolences for the family.

His Legacy... Marvin Lee McQuarrie was born on June 22, 1947 in Quincy, California to Zelma and John McQuarrie. Marvin served his country in the United States Army. He had numerous occupations over the years, logger etc, lastly he owned and operated McQuarrie Auto Sales. He was an avid fan and participant in drag racing and he loved and collected classic cars. Our beloved husband, father, grandfather and great grandfather passed away on April 29, 2015 in Oroville, California. He will be greatly missed.

His Family... Marvin is survived by his wife Beverly, daughters Trena, Renee and Dana and their spouses, his grandchildren, Ashley, Christopher, Brenden, Dylan, Mandy, Baylee, and Joshua as well as numerous friends and other family. He is preceded in death by his parents and his son Frankie.

His Farewell Service...His Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, May 2, 2015 at 3:00 PM at the Moose Lodge 1462 14th Street Oroville, California. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877. In lieu of flowers donations to ALS Association is appreciated.

RICKARD (LaFONSO), Donna Mae

Chico Enterprise Record

5-15-2015

Donna Mae Rickard

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Chico Enterprise-Record (Chico, CA) - Friday, May 15, 2015

Omak WA United States

DONNA MAE RICKARD Donna Mae Rickard 101 of Omak, WA died May 9, 2015. Born in Chico, CA to Cipriana Genevieve Avalos and Elmer LaFonso June 24, 1913, she graduated from Chico High School, attended Chemawa Indian School & in 1935 wed Fred Rickard. 1950, they moved to the Colville Indian reservation, Nespelem, WA. Senior elder of the Mechoopda Tribe of Chico, CA she was preceded in death by her parents, husband Fred, grandson Dan, and niece Juanita. Survivors include her daughter Elizabeth Jean Berney (Buzz), grandsons Joe (Alice Thompson), Raymond, Geral (Yvonne), great-granddaughters Nicole Rider (Leonard), Jessica (Benn), and Jade, great-great-grandsons Ryland and Kyle & great-great-granddaughter Meliah Cipriana. Graveside services for Donna Mae will be held at Spring Canyon Cemetery, Grand Coulee, WA 2:00pm, Friday, May 15, 2015. Donna Mae's on-line register book is at www.stratefuneralhome.com.

JACOT (SCHUDER), Idell Abia

Chico Enterprise Record

5-16-2015

Idell Jacot

Idell Jacot

Chico Enterprise-Record (Chico, CA) - Saturday, May 16, 2015

Chico CA United States

IDELL JACOT Idell Abia Schuder Jacot went to be with her Lord Jesus Christ on May 13, 2015. She was lovingly cared for by her daughter Cyndie Young, granddaughters Ariel and Dani, and a large group of devoted friends. Idell was born August 21, 1941 to Forest and Winifred Schuder, she spent most of her life in Butte County. She attended the one room school house at Messilla Valley and graduated from Biggs High School. She received an AA degree from Yuba College where she met Eric Jacot, they raised their daughter Cyndie in Chico. Idell loved her natural surroundings, her interests ranged from tractors to technology. Her most outstanding quality was her love of God and people. Idell's memorial service will be held at the East Ave. Community Church, 1184 East Ave. Thur. May 21 at 11:00 a.m. The graveside service will be held on Tue. May 19 at 1:00 p.m. at the Woodland Cemetery. Idell requested that in lieu of flowers donations be made to the Butte County Humane Society. Please read Idell's full obit and share your memories online at NewtonBracewell.com.

HENSLEY, Hollie Lester
Chico Enterprise Record
6-24-2015

Hollie Lester Hensley

1929 - 2015



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HOLLIE LESTER HENSLEY, 85 Hollie passed away Friday, June 19, 2015 in Oroville, California. A Visitation will be held on Thursday, June 25, 2015 from 4:00 to 8:00 PM at Ramsey Funeral Home. Graveside Service will be Friday, June 25, 2015 at 10:00 AM at Cherokee Cemetery. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877. Please visit www.RamseyFuneralHomes.com to view full farewell and leave condolences for the family.

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Ringel (Campbell), Dorothy Mae

Chico Enterprise Record 6-28-2015

OBITUARIES



DOROTHY RINGEL

Dorothy Mae Ringel (née Campbell), 88, passed away unexpectedly June 13th at her home in Chico. She was a native and lifelong resident of Chico. Dorothy worked as Director of Senior Programs at the Chico Area Recreation District for many years, until her retirement in 2004. She was selflessly devoted to her family; to us she was a loving big sister, beautiful wife, tender mother, fierce advocate, and lively companion. Since Dorothy, or Dot, or Mom, or Nana would surely prefer a bit of fanfare to a dirge, let's celebrate a little, for her sake.

Dorothy was born August 11, 1926 to Carroll Campbell and Katherine Duensing Campbell. Her people on both sides were among the early white settlers of Butte County - the Campbells operated the Lovelock Inn below Stirling City, and the Duensing's ran cattle out of Oregon Gulch. She spent her first eight years living at the Richardson Springs Hotel, where her father drove the stage and her mother kept accounts. Alice (Mrs. J.H.) Richardson was her godmother. The cooks befriended young Dorothy and invited her into their kitchen; here she developed a love of cooking and fine food that would remain a lifelong passion.

In the wake of the depression, Dorothy's parents bought a parcel of land on E. 1st Avenue in Chico. Her dad planted an almond orchard and built a house. This was the 1930s and there wasn't much money; the cabinetry was hammered together from salvaged apple crates. Alongside her brothers, Dorothy knocked the trees and worked the huller.

Dorothy attended Chico Vecino, Central, and Chico High, class of 1944. There were summer afternoons at Sycamore Pool and ten-cent Saturday matinees at the Senator Theater. When Hollywood came to Chico in 1937 to film The Adventures of Robin Hood, she met Errol Flynn and he kissed her hand. She claimed not to have washed it for a week - although she once blushing admitted that she rather preferred the more wholesome Patric Knowles. Later, there were USO dances with young flyers from Chico Army Airbase. Then, while working at the Bureau of Reclamation, she met Eugene A. Ringel of Oakland, a bright, ambitious young civil engineer and a wartime Captain in the US Army; the couple were married on November 2nd, 1947.

A family soon followed. In her own words, Dorothy felt that "My husband, our three children and five grandchildren are indeed the joy of my life." Today she would proudly add four great-grandchildren to the tally. Nana's house became home for all of us, the place where we were always welcome, always loved, the place to which we could always return.

Dorothy's caring extended beyond her family into the community. She worked for CARD for many years as Director of Senior Programs, retiring in 2004 at the age of 77. A friend from the Senior Center had this to say of Dorothy:

"We who know her well describe her as being wise, thoughtful, and caring. And friends from her high school days tell me that description fit her then, too. She has a sly sense of humor that helps smooth out the rough spots she encounters daily, and at the

CARD Center she cares for us oldsters individually like family."

Somehow, in the midst of this busy life, Dorothy managed to take time to travel worldwide - she loved Venice best - and to earn her wings as a solo airplane pilot. She was also an accomplished pianist; as a young woman, Dorothy performed on a weekly public radio show and as accompanist at the Episcopal Church. She was an avid gardener who was sometimes seen delivering paper baskets of Mayday flowers to neighbors, hand-in-hand with her three-year-old daughter.

Dorothy is survived by her husband, Gene Ringel of Chico, her brother Budge Campbell of Ukiah and John Campbell of Paradise, her three children, five grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Do small things with great care. Give your hands to serve and your hearts to love.

The family invites all who knew and loved Dorothy to join us for a memorial service to be held at Newton-Bracewell in Chico on Monday, July 6th at 10AM. You may share your thoughts online at NewtonBracewell.com

WILLIAMS, Ezhno Christopher
Chico Enterprise Record
7-18-2015

EZHNO WILLIAMS Ezhno Christopher Williams, infant son of Christopher Williams and Shelly Salma, passed away on July 14, 2015. Other survivors include sister Salma and brothers Taimo and Hanio. Graveside service will be held on Monday, July 20, 2015 at 5:00 p.m. at the Mechoopda Cemetery on Sacramento Ave. in Chico. Dinner to follow at Wildwood Park. To send condolences online go to NewtonBracewell.com.

To Plant Memorial Trees in memory, please visit our [Sympathy Store](#).

BROWN NORBY, Maxine

Chico Enterprise Record

10-3-2015

Maxine Brown Norby

1923 - 2015 [Obituary](#) [Condolences](#)



MAXINE BROWN NORBY The angel's harp struck a single chord, recognizing the passing of our beloved mom, Maxine Brown Norby, on October 1, 2015. Born November 15, 1923 in Richmond, California, Maxine and her older brother, Eddie, were adopted by their Uncle Lyman and Aunt Adelaide Brown, and raised in Yankee Hill. Maxine graduated from Oroville High School and began a 30 year career with Bank of America. Her first marriage to Bob C. Boelens blessed her with two sons, Bob L. Boelens and Rich Boelens. Years later she met and married Ernie Norby "The best thing that could ever happen to me." She and Ernie had a son, Ray. They became life-long members of Grace Community Church. Maxine and Ernie travelled extensively throughout the United States. They spent countless years with their boys waterskiing at Lake Shasta. Maxine loved fishing at Lake Alamanor and riding four-wheelers at the Corliss' Cabin. Maxine is survived by sons, Bob (Joanne), Rich (Stephanie), and Ray (Joanne); 10 grandchildren; and 10 great-grandchildren. Maxine was predeceased by her husband, Ernie; grandchild Cinnamon Boelens; her brother Eddie; and her parents. A graveside service at Chico Cemetery will be held Wednesday, October 7, 2015 at 2:00 p.m. with a reception immediately following at Grace Community Church. To view obituary, send condolences, or share memories of Maxine, go online to NewtonBracewell.com.

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Gramps, Maxine Helen



Maxine Helen Gramps (Chico Enterprise Record 11-20-2015)

Her Legacy...Maxine, a longtime resident of the Oroville area passed away on November 10, 2015 in Oroville, California. She was 93 years old. Maxine was born on July 9, 1922 in Yankee Hill, California to Tom Blair and Vera Clark. She was a very loving and much respected woman who enjoyed anything to do with the outdoors. She loved gardening, plants, flowers, animals and watching her many grandchildren's sporting events. She also liked listening to music, especially Elvis, and most of all loved spending time with her family. She will be remembered by family and friends as a loving mother, grandmother, aunt and friend who will be greatly missed but never forgotten. Her Family...She is survived by her son Harvey Gramps Jr. and wife Linda, her son Bo Gramps and his wife Carol, her daughter Zena Stegall, her grandchildren Chris Stegall, James Stegall (Zena), Harvey Gramps III and Walter Gramps all of Oroville, CA, LaDonna Hall (Harvey) of Las Vegas, NV, Donald Gramps of Chico, CA and Deanna Sousa of Gridley, CA (Bo) along with numerous great-grandchildren and two great-great-grandchildren. She is preceded in passing by her husband Harvey Gramps Sr. and son Walton Williford. Her Farewell...Service will be held on Sat., Nov. 21, 2015 at 11:00 am at Clark Cemetery on Yankee Hill Rd. in Yankee Hill, CA. Food & refreshments will be served following the service at 1pm at Thermalito Grange.

HEADLEY, Alma Jean
Chico Enterprise Record
9-1-2015

ALMA JEANNETTE HEADLEY

1930 - 2015  Obituary  Condolences  Flowers



JEAN HEADLEY Alma Jeannette Headley was born on July 20, 1930 in York, NE. She passed away in her home in Yankee Hill, CA on August 28, 2015. She married the love of her life Jack Headley and they enjoyed 70 years together. Jean enjoyed working in the optometry business and worked with Jack on private yachts as the cook. After traveling extensively during retirement, Jack and Jean moved to Yankee Hill and built their home. Jean was very proud of her two daughters and their accomplishments. Jean was preceded in death by her daughter Jacki Headley. Jean is survived by her husband Jack; daughter Jan (Rod Parker); Son- in- law Graham Hutton; grandchildren Christopher (Liz) Hutton, Oliver (Lisa) Hutton, Michael Parker and Irene (Mike) Farr; great- grandchildren Spencer Farr and Myer Hutton. A graveside service will be held on Wednesday, September 2, 2015, 11:00 a.m. at Centerville Cemetery, Chico, CA. To send online condolences to the family, go online to NewtonBracewell.com

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**THOMAS MICHAEL
GROARKE**

August 4, 1948 -
December 23, 2015

Thomas Michael Groarke, 67, of Yankee Hill, CA, electrician, contractor, musician, philosopher, geologist, and friend died Wednesday, December 23, 2015, in his bed, in the home he had built, with nephews Aaron and Andy by his side.

Born in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania to Leslie Francis Groarke and Dorothy Louise Wipperman, Thomas Michael Groarke was the third of four children. After the death of Leslie Francis in 1952, Dorothy moved the family to San Mateo, California.

Thomas' lifelong love of learning was first revealed at San Jose's prestigious private, Jesuit, secondary school Bellarmine College Preparatory. He graduated in 1966, and then attended Humboldt State University in Arcata, where he joined the Theta Epsilon Chapter of the Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, and established many lifelong friends with whom he enjoyed a yearly camping retreat for decades.

In the early 1970s, Thomas moved to the hills above Oroville. His love of community was reciprocated in Jarbo Gap, Concow, and Yankee Hill. During his many years in the area he owned a gas station, became an electrician and licensed contractor, and established countless enduring structures and friendships up on the hill, and in Paradise, Chico, and Oroville.

In 1991, Tom was awarded a B.S. in Physical Science from California State University, Chico, and in 1993 his M.A. in Environmental Studies. He enjoyed en-

gaging in lengthy discussions of domestic and foreign politics, and listened attentively to all manner of opinions on the issues. In May of 2006, he traveled to China in the company of Sherry Butler to admire the engineering of The Great wall and the Three Gorges dam.

In addition to his regard for the sciences, Tom relished the arts, particularly Irish history, literature, and music. Devoted to his cultural heritage, he made many extended visits to Ireland to spend time with cousins, and explore the country.

After the Butte Lightning Complex fire of 2008 which destroyed more than half of the homes in the Yankee Hill and Concow area, Tom was there, helping his friends and neighbors clean up to begin the process of rebuilding, and also do-

ing much of the rebuilding. Truly an artist--though he preferred the term "craftsman"-- his work reflected a unity of head, heart, and hands; his dedication to his professions evident in the deep care he took with whatever he undertook.

Whether wiring a house (the more complex the better), constructing a creative and enduring edifice, or planning the next project, he accepted every challenge as an opportunity to find a solution.

Though not religious, Tom was a spiritual man of high principles, simple pleasures, and abiding passions; he valued his heritage, and his community, his family, and above all sought to engage in the free exchange of ideas over music interrupted only by toasts to good health among loved ones.

He is survived by sisters Leslie Groarke Lea of San Ramon, California, and Colleen Louise Groarke of San Francisco. Also by Gary Lea, brother-in-law and dear friend. He is also survived by 3 nieces, Yvette, Michelle and Amanda and 6 nephews, Andy, Gene, Aaron, Adrian, Paul and Miles, plus many cousins in Ireland and the U.S.

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HAYES, Anna May

Chico Enterprise Record

3-16-2016

Anna May Hayes

1930 - 2016

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ANNA MAY HAYES Ann, a long-time resident of Cherokee and Oroville, CA., passed away on January 28, 2016, going home to be with Harold, her husband of 65 years. Born to George and Belma Cassel in Tuolumne, CA. on May 25, 1930, Ann passed peacefully at Oroville Hospital Acute Care Center, where she had been a resident the past four years. She was mother of three children: Gary, of Oroville, CA; Deborah, of Fair Oaks, CA, and Danny, of Prescott, AZ. She had six grandchildren and eight great-grand-children. "You are sorely missed Mom but never forgotten"! Remembrances can be made to the First Baptist Church of Oroville.

SCHAGER, Evelyn
Glenn County Transcript
3-30-2016

Evelyn Schager

1921 - 2016 [🕒Obituary](#) [👉Condolences](#)



Evelyn Schager passed away on March 23, 2016 at Enloe Hospital.

She was born on December 11, 1921 in Nebraska into a large farming family. She spent her early years helping in the fields and with the horses and cattle. She attended rural schools and finished her studies early so she could help teach the other students.

She met L.A. "Mike" Schager in Nebraska and they eloped and were married on November 18, 1938. They were married for 74 years until he passes away in 2013.

They lived in Nebraska for a time then moved to Huntington Beach, CA where they owned vacuum trucks that serviced the oil industry during the "boom" in Southern CA. In the 1960's they sold their business and moved to Oroville (Concow area) to become cattle ranchers. From there they moved to Orland where they began to dairy farm. Evelyn always loved animals especially her cows. They sold the dairy to son, Mike in 1978 so they could officially retire and travel.

They belonged to the Tri-Co Good Sams for many years and traveled many places with that group as well as across the US and Alaska. They loved to load up their beloved grandsons and head out for the mountains or coast to fish and camp.

Evelyn was predeceased by husband L.A. "Mike" and son Calvin Schager.

She leaves behind son, Mike (Patty) Schager, Orland; and daughter-in-law Nancy Schager, Garden Grove, CA; grandsons Chris (Marianne) Schager, Portland, OR; Dennis (Michele) Schager, Riverside, CA; Wes (Alyssa) Schager, Orland; and Mat (Sarah) Schager, Orland; 4 great granddaughters and 4 great grandsons.

Services will be held at First Lutheran Church, 19 Colusa St., Orland, at 11 am on Thursday, March 31, 2016.

A reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to First Lutheran Church, 4-H, FFA or your favorite charity.

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MONTGOMERY, Joyce I.

Chico Enterprise Record

4-1-2016

Joyce I. Montgomery

1926 - 2016 🕒Obituary 📖Condolences

JOYCE I. MONTGOMERY "SEE YOU UP THE TRAIL" Joyce I. Montgomery, 89 years old, crossed over to be with our Lord Jesus on March 22, 2016 at the Hospice House in Paradise, while holding the hand of her daughter, Jennie. Joyce was born to James and Maude Montgomery at Minneapolis, MN in the home of her Aunt Mabel on December 10, 1926. When Joyce was about four years old, the Montgomery's moved to a farm in Amery, WI. It was there that Joyce established her lifelong love affair with nature and with "all creatures great and small." She had fond memories of riding her Dad's work horses, Jim and Prince, while they plowed the fields. Her life changed forever when her Dad came down with MS, and the decision was made to sell the farm and move West to seek a new home in milder weather. Their journeys took them to Wyoming, Montana, Oregon and finally California. Joyce shared wonderful stories of her adventures during that time from riding horseback through elk herds at the base of the Tetons, pack trips with mules in the Trinity Alps, gathering cattle through the sage brush, and the weasel that lived under the outhouse. In 1945, Joyce married her childhood friend, James Johnston. Her daughter, Jennie, was born in Oroville. After her divorce, she moved to Durham in 1950. Joyce became a real estate agent and bought and sold properties throughout Butte County. She also had an antique business for several years at the Colonial Lodge in Paradise. Joyce moved to the Yankee Hill area in the 1970's and developed several properties there. She also raised Appaloosa horses and Sharpei dogs. For the past 25 years, Joyce lived in the Bitterroot Valley, at Victor, MT where she continued to deal in real estate, antiques, and jewelry. She loved to be on the move and went on buying and selling trips with her truck and trailer until she was 85 years old. On those excursions, she often rescued a dog or cat that had been abandoned along the way. She also provided a "forever home" to many dogs and cats she adopted from animal shelters. At the request of her family, Joyce came back to California last year, where she was a resident at Prestige Assisted



Living at Chico. "Mama Joyce" will always remain an unforgettable spirit that gave her family and friends the legacy of a life lived to the fullest. bursting with zest, joy, adventure, courage, faith and love. She was an example of her values to respect all life, to love your neighbor, to keep your word, and to honor God in all you do. Joyce was met at heaven's gate by her parents and grandparents, grandson Monte, great-grandson little Monte, and numerous cats, dogs, horses, and other critters she loved and nurtured on this Earth. "We will always miss you and love you. SEE YOU UP THE TRAIL." Your daughter, Jennie DuBose, grandson Alex DuBose and his wife Jennie, great-grandsons Joplin, Avery, and Adin, dogs, Mollie and Keko, and horses, Venture and Gentleman Jim. Joyce also leaves behind her "forever" son-in-law, Robert DuBose and his wife Laura. A special thank you to Prestige Assisted Living at Chico for providing a "home away from home" for Joyce, and to the staff and Dr. An at the Hospice House at Paradise for their unbelievable care and kindness. Thank you also to the prayer team from the Evangelical Free Church of Chico. In the future, a graveside service at the Durham Cemetery will be conducted. A celebration of life will be held at her home in Victor, MT, this spring. If you wish to remember Joyce through a memorial contribution, please give to your favorite animal charity, or the Paradise Hospice House, 1289 Bille Rd. Paradise, CA 95969. or give your dog or cat a hug for Joyce.horses too! This obituary can be viewed online at NewtonBracewell.com.

POTEET (UPTON), Amy Lee
Chico Enterprise Record
4-5-2016

Amy Poteet

Amy Poteet

Chico Enterprise-Record (Chico, CA) - Tuesday, April 5, 2016

AMY POTEET Amy Lee Upton Poteet, 82 passed away in Red Bluff, Ca. She died Monday, March 28, 2016. She was born July 21, 1933 in Thermalito, Ca., to Charles Allen and Amy Maude Hailstone Upton. She was the last of 15 children, and the last of her generation of Hailstone / Bussell. In 1950 married Harold W. Poteet aka Wayne, in Douglas County, NV. She was a house wife and a Day Care Provider. She was preceded in death by her husband Harold W. Poteet, 2013 in Grangeville, Idaho, and her youngest son Harold W. Poteet Jr., 2015 in Viola, Idaho. She is survived by four other children, Cheryl Daniel in Corning Ca.; David Poteet in Anaz, Ca.; Laurie Wheeler in Chico, Ca.; Kim Carr in Paradise, Ca.; 22 grandkids, 29 great grandkids and 3 great great grandkids. Funeral Service will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter- Day Saints in Corning Ca., Saturday April 9, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. She'll be laid to rest April 16, 2016 in White Bird Idaho Cemetery next to her husband.

STRANG, William Everett
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5-19-2016

William Strang

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WILLIAM STRANG William (Bill or Billy) Everett Strang passed away on November 29, 2015 at age 58. He was born on January 1, 1957 in Santa Maria, CA to William C. (Bill) and Norma (Burns) Strang. Billy enjoyed fishing, camping, rock concerts, traveling, collecting rocks and shells, creating yard art, and loved his dog 'Bob' and his cat 'Ses'. He worked for Louisiana Pacific for 28 years, where he made many lasting friend-ships. Billy will be remembered by all of us for his great sense of humor, creativity, love of nature, gorgeous smile, and much more. He is survived by his brother, Wesley D. (wife Linda) Strang, sisters Pamela (husband Fred) Finkenkiller and Sharon (husband Jack) Sommer, many nieces and nephews, and cousins. He was preceded in death by his parents and niece, Kimberly Webb-Porteous. Friends and family are invited to share in a celebration of Bill's life on May 21st, at 10:00 a.m., on the family property; 280 Colina Way. It's a potluck, and in honor of Billy's passion for camping, we ask that you bring your own camping/lawn chair. You may also bring memories and stories to share.

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Janice Rae Brown

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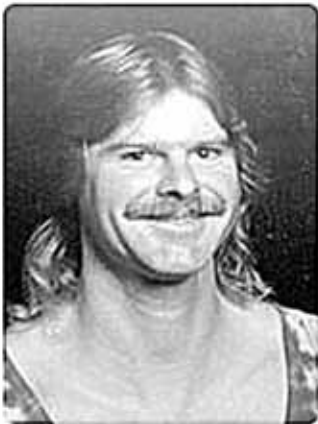
JANICE RAE BROWN May 19, 2016 Janice Rae Brown passed on May 19, 2016 in Oroville, California. Janice was born November 4, 1928 to Glenn and Leona Collinson in Clear Lake, Iowa. She later married Clyde Fry, and on September 10, 1960, married E. R. Bob Brown of Yankee Hill who passed away in 2006. She had 3 children, Kenneth Fry and wife Joan of Fernley, Nevada; Judy Fry Richter of Chico; and Robert Bob Brown and wife Sylvia of Oroville. Grandchildren include Leah Fry Kittell, Andrew and Eric Fry, Philip Richter, Dustin and Cody Beers and Rachel Brown; plus 5 great-grandchildren. Jan and Bob lived many years together in Madras, Oregon where they farmed acreage and raised cattle. She adored the baby animals and often had one close by if it needed assistance eating. She painted beside Bob and left many pictures which are family keepsakes. Jan also worked for the Madras school district when she wasn't growing cantaloupes and petunias. Funeral services will be held Friday, May 27, 2016 at Scheer Funeral Home in Oroville at 11 am. Lunch will follow at The Hofbrau on Table Mt. Boulevard in Oroville. A private burial will be held later Friday.

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DAVIDSON, Danny Lee
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Danny Lee Davidson

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DANNY LEE DAVIDSON Danny Davidson, born February 9, 1962, was tragically taken from us on July 8th 2016. Danny was born in Chico and grew up in Sacramento. As a young adult he bought land off of Concow Road in Oroville, Ca where he lived with his wife Rachael for 24 years raising their three children, Randi, Luke and Diamond who is expecting his newest granddaughter that will be named after him. Danny was well known and loved in his community, he will be greatly missed by all. Preceded in death by his father Dell Davidson and is survived by his mother Shirley EverOne, Wife Rachael, Children: Randi, Luke and Diamond, Grandchildren Kaylie, Logan and Jade and sisters, Vicki and Cindy. Celebration of Life will be held at Concow Campground on Saturday, July 23rd beginning at 12:00 noon.

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GRAMPS, Stella Norrine
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Obituary of Stella Gramps

Stella Norrine Gramps

November 21, 1956

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August 28, 2016



Her Legacy... Stella Norrine Gramps was born on Nov. 21, 1956 in Oroville, CA to Earl and Catherine Pulley. Stella passed away on Aug. 28, 2016 at her residence. Stella a lifelong resident of Oroville, where she attended Thermalito Schools and Oroville High School. She married the love of her life Oliver E. Gramps Sr. on Jan. 1, 1982. Together they raised their six children. Stella lived her life caring for elders and others in need. She had a passion for playing drums in the family band, and she enjoyed sitting by the water fishing, sipping on a cold one, watching her grandchildren play sports, dancing or just fishing. Stella will be remembered by family and friends as a loving wife, mother, sister, aunt, grandmother and great grandmother.

Her Family...Stella is survived by her loving husband of 34 years Oliver E. Gramps Sr, her children: David Gramps (Angel Martin), Vannessa Halterman (CJ Halterman), Oliver Gramps Jr, Richie Gramps, Linda Gramps and Betsy Gramps all of Oroville, California. Stella has 13 grandchildren, 8 great grandchildren and one more great grandchild on the way. She is also survived by her siblings; Linda Caton, Harold Pulley, Floyd Pulley, Dale Pulley, Kathy Weikim, numerous nephews and nieces, and her favorite sister-in-law Betsy Seneca.

Her Farewell Service...Memorial Service will be held on Thur., Sept. 8, 2016, 10:30 a.m. at Oroville Funeral Home, 1454 Montgomery St, Oroville, CA. Following the service a Celebration of Life will be held at 175 Alverda Dr. Next to Feather Falls Casino.

GRAMPS, Oliver Eugene
Ramseyfuneralhomes.com
10-28-2016



Obituary of Oliver Gramps

His Legacy...Oliver Eugene Gramps was born on October 17, 1939 in Pulga California to Albert & Edna Gramps. Oly grew up in Pulga. He was known as a hardworking man and retired with the Union Pacific Railroad. Oly's life was all about family, music, horses, drinking beer and having fun! He competed in local rodeos as a bareback rider, and supplied good ol' country music to all. No one knew it better and no one did it better. Oly died October 28th 2016 in Oroville California.

His Family...Oly is survived by his sister Betsy Gramps-Seneca, his children, Betsy Phillips-Gramps, Linda Cardenas-Gramps and Richie Gramps. He also leaves behind numerous nieces, nephews and grandchildren. He'll be returning home to his partners in crime, his brother Freddy Gramps and Sister Dorothy Dearman.

His Farewell.. A Celebration of Life will be held at his sister's residence on Saturday Nov. 5th at 2:00 pm with the theme of one of his favorite songs. "Prop me up against the jukebox..." . Arrangements are entrusted to Oroville Funeral Home (530) 533-0323.

WOLCOTT, James

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Death notices

WOLCOTT: James Wolcott, 60, of Concow, died Monday, Nov. 7, 2016, in Chico. Arrangements are under the direction of Affordable Mortuary, 893-4292.



LARRY COOPER

So many friends and family are saddened by the sudden death of Larry by a stroke.

Larry was born on May 2nd and died 63 years later on November 20th. Larry enjoyed over 40 years of marriage to his loving wife Terry, and cherished his daughter Sherry and her 3 children, Nicole, Jessica, and Ryan and his one year old great granddaughter Lacey.

Larry served 7 years in the Marine Corp reaching the rank of Staff Sargent and serving in Viet Nam. Larry spent most of career as a carpenter and was able to build anything, including his own house on his little farm in Cherokee.

Larry loved to hunt and fish, and mostly tell jokes and make people laugh with his wry sense of humor. Larry enjoyed people and would give you the shirt off of his back.

Larry will be missed so very much by his family, his twin brother and best friend Garry and wife Stacy and their kids Karli and Hali, his sister Brenda and his many friends.

A pot luck will be planned at a later date when the pain from his loss lessens. Larry, we all love you so much.

COOPER, Larry

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