

Dale Gressman Sr.

Pendleton

November 17, 2012

Dale Gressman Sr. died Saturday, November 17, 2012 at the age of 84. He was born in Stockton, Utah, in 1928, and was the 6th child of Melvin and Alba Gressman.

At 17 he joined the Army. The end of World War II saw him entering a new phase of his life. He went to work for his brother Gerald's mining company in Idaho. Brother Gerald sent him to work in Death Valley, Calif., where he met his sweetheart Carolyn and they married in 1953.

In 1955 their first son Dale Jr. was born and in 1957 son Max completed their family.

In 1960 he moved the family to California and went to work for Pittsburg Glass in Lone Pine. In 1969 he went to work for Cal Portland Cement in Mojave. He was very involved with the boys' sports, organizing and coaching.

Due to a back injury in 1979 he retired. Carolyn received a promotion to postmaster in Summerland and the two of them moved to Carpinteria. While there he served as president of the Santa Barbara Lions Club and was active in the Elks.

He and wife Carolyn were avid campers and loved their weekend excursions. They worked tirelessly raising money

and collecting glasses to be donated to the Lions Club.

When Carolyn retired they moved to Bakersfield. He started out as a member of a friends pit crew and at 70 years old he began racing his own car in the Hobby Stock category.

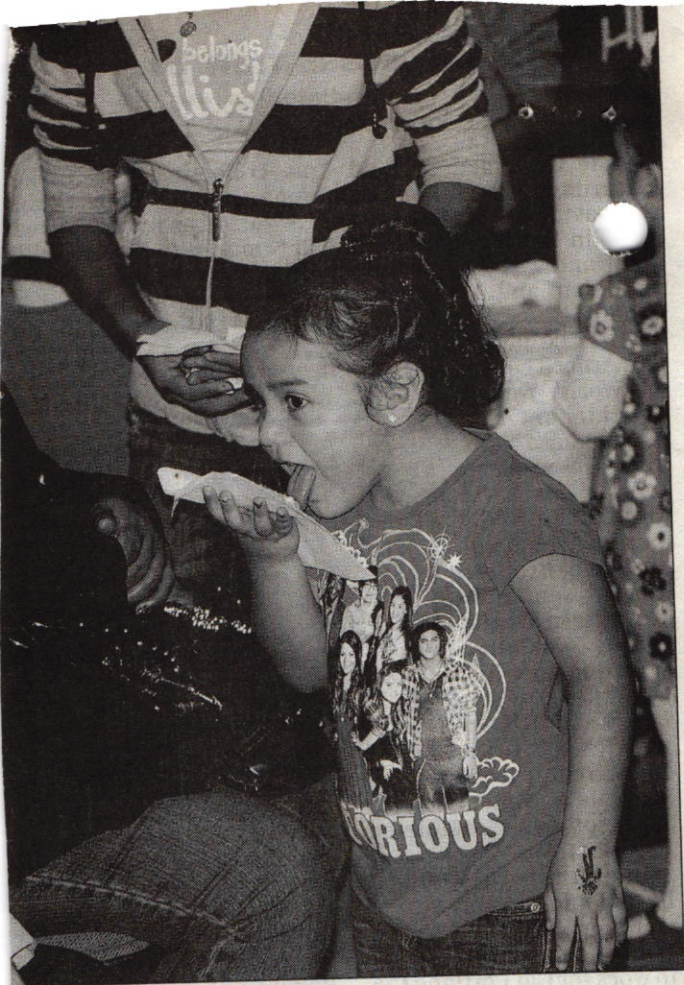
In 2004 they moved to Pendleton where he cared for his ailing wife until she passed away in 2008. Earlier this year he moved to Sunridge, where he lived until his death. Dale is preceded in death by his wife Carolyn, his par-

ents and 9 siblings. He is survived by sons Dale of Pendleton and Max of Bakersfield, Calif., grandchildren Andrea and Dale of Pendleton, Lacey of Germany, and Cortnie of Bakersfield, California, as well as brother Don Gressman of Palm Desert, California.

Viewing will be held at Burns Mortuary of Pendleton on Friday, November 30th from 4:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m. Services will be held at the Church of Latter-day Saints at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, December 1st. He will be laid to rest next to his wife Carolyn at Olney Cemetery following the service. Send condolences online at www.burnsmortuary.com. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements.



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COMING EVENTS

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with obesity. Free, and lunch is provided, but you must reserve a seat. Everyone welcome to attend. (Roxann 541-289-8850).

CRIBBAGE NIGHT, 6:30 p.m., Great Pacific Wine & Coffee Co., 403 S. Main St., Pendleton. New and experienced players welcome. Bring boards and cards. (509-240-7460).

VEGAN/SUSTAINABLE LIVING POTLUCK SUPPER, 7 p.m., call 541-969-3057 to RSVP and for driving directions. Bring a vegan dish and the recipe (for those who may have food allergies). New vegans welcome. Gluten-free friendly group.

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