

# Gary Ward Sewell

Pendleton

April 28, 1942-April 27, 2012

Gary Ward Sewell, 69, of Pendleton, Oregon, passed away April 27, 2012, in his home.

Gary was born April 28, 1942, in Cottonwood, Idaho, to Robert and Kathryn (Wyatt) Sewell. He was raised on the family ranch at Lucile, Idaho. He rode his horse to attend a one-room grade school at Cow Creek. He graduated from Salmon River High, at Riggins, Idaho, in 1960. After high school, he attended the University of Idaho for two years.

He went on to ranching, rodeoing and sales. On September 13, 1985, he married Debbie Nunnally in Pendleton, Oregon. Living in Umatilla County since 1968, he was a realtor with Garton and Associates and, later, Old West Realty. During his life, he participated in rodeos throughout the northwest and beyond. As a talented cowboy and team roper, he earned his share of the cash and prizes, including the national championship in the Century Roping at Reno, Nevada, in 2010 with Troy Perkins. His passion was rodeo and raising and training horses. He was a gold card member of the Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA).



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Survivors include his wife Debbie Sewell of Pendleton; father, Bob Sewell of Milton Freewater; sons, Clint Sewell of Clarkston, Washington, Rob Sewell of Pendleton, Chad Hoisington of Bend; daughter, Tami Ewen of Kennewick; brothers, Darrel Sewell of Baker, Bow

Sewell of Milton Freewater; sister, Eileen Uhlenkott of Cottonwood, Idaho; In-laws Jerry and Joan Nunnally of Grangeville, Idaho;

9 grandchildren as well as numerous cousins, nieces and nephews. He was preceded in

death by his mother Kathryn Sewell and his grandparents.

A viewing will be held at Pendleton Pioneer Chapel, Wednesday, May 2nd, from noon until 5:30. A Celebration of Life service will be held Thursday, May 3, 2012, at 1:00 p.m. at the Pendleton Round-Up Grounds. Burial will take place at Olney Cemetery with a reception to follow back at the Pendleton Round-up Grounds.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that contributions be made at Banner Bank to the Gary Sewell Memorial Century Team Roping fund.

and growing interest in the culinary, social, monetary and public health benefits of markets," said Karen Wagner, the market's board president.

The markets, she said, add value to local economies, create vibrant community gathering places and bring diverse groups of people together.

"They offer a healthy, local alternative to the

themed events. The entire community is invited to participate in those special events during the third week of each month.

With summer just around the corner, the Oregon Farmers' Markets Association invites everyone to experience local foods at more than 120 member farmers' markets across the state. A market directory is available at [www.oregongarmersmarkets.org](http://www.oregongarmersmarkets.org).

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or register at  
[www.AARP.org](http://www.AARP.org).

## **Inland Northwest Musicians features artist winners**

A pair of weekend performances are planned by the Inland Northwest Orchestra. There's no charge for either concert, although donations will be accepted at the door.

The concerts are Saturday at 7 p.m. at Hermiston High School, 600 S. First St., and Sunday at 4 p.m. at Walla Walla Community College, 500 Tausick Way. A reception will follow each performance.

The program will include winners of the Young Artist Competition, including pianist Michelle Fu, elementary division; violinist Diana

sicians is under direction of R. Lee Friese. To inquire about performing with one of the ensembles, contact Judi Mason at [judimasn@eoni.com](mailto:judimasn@eoni.com), 541-314-5407 or Friese at 541-377-1865.

## **Wasco Co. pioneer group meets Saturday**

THE DALLES — The public is invited to share about, or learn of others', Wasco County roots during the Wasco County Pioneer Association annual meeting and luncheon. The event is Saturday from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Calvary Baptist Church, 3350 Columbia View Drive, The Dalles.

The event will include the sharing of history, memories, photos and neighborliness. The lunch costs \$10. Dues for the association are \$10 for an individual or