



## The Deadmond Family

We don't really know why our surname is spelled so many different ways. My mother said folks spelled it the way it sounded to them. I suppose this is true in many families other than ours. For example, I know of a McCarter/McArthur family reunion and both groups trace their ancestors to the same person. There were two brothers and one spelled it McCarter and the other McArthur. In the Broome family some drop the "e" and spell it Broom. Then I have seen cases of Smith and Smyth, Dickson and Dixon, Jones and Joynes, etc...

There have been deliberate changes of spelling for various reasons. Dr. Bob Dedmon, whose father is Deadman, told me he changed his spelling while in med school as Dr. Deadman might not be too appealing. In another case one person added the "d" on the end making it Dedmond, because he said his mail kept getting mixed up. The best we can tell Mark Dedmon (1758-1839), was the first to spell it that way as his father was Deadman. There have been some suggestion that he did it because he fought on the American side of the Revolutionary War, while the rest of the family was Tories and sided with the British. We can only guess at that. Riley Deadmond wrote me once that on the trip west two of the letters fell off the wagon, leaving Dedmon. The oldest record I have of Deadmond is Thomas Deadmond, (1784-1851). As you can see both of these spellings are fairly close in time.

The Deadmond Family has an interesting history (as all of our families do). We all have "skeletons in our closets", that come out now and then. When I first began the research project, one of my sisters asked if I had found any famous Dedmons. I replied, "I have found a few cattle rustlers and moonshiners". But, hey, we are not all bad. I don't feel as if I am giving away any "family secrets" as everything I publish was found in public domain. I am not even "swearing" every story I have found is true. Sometimes family stories are like preacher stories, "They may not have happened, but they could have happened". It may be like the story they tell on Dock Dedmon. It is said he ate eleven boiled eggs at one setting and when asked why he didn't eat one more to make a dozen, he replied, he was not going to make a pig of himself over one egg. Also, in some cases the stories get bigger with each telling.

There is not a lot of information available as to the origin of Deadmond, but we know it evolved from Deadman. One genealogy site says, "Origin uncertain; probably a variant of English Dedman, itself a variant of Debnam". That is also the explanation given for most of our variations. In some cases more information is given. Regardless, we are all of the same family, (generally speaking), or as I sometimes say, "We are of the same tree, just different nuts". As a general rule, all the Deadmonds are descents of Thomas Deadmond. He was born March 22, 1784 and died September 20, 1851, and buried in the Deadmond Cemetery in Sandoval, Marion County, IL. Several of the Deadmond family married into the Wilbourne family, of which eight members of the Wilbourn family are buried in the Dedmond Cemetery. Most of the Deadmond family are found in Illinois, Oregon and Texas, although there are several scattered throughout the United States and probably a few foreign countries. Some of the Deadman family from North Carolina have also spelled the name Deadmond, although we are not certain there is a connection to Thomas Deadmond. There is some disagreement as to his parents, which I will discuss on page 3 under the "Brick Wall". There was also some material sent me by Gary Deadmond, which was published in Volume 37, pages 3 & 4. None of this is engraven in stone and if any of the family finds incorrect information, I will be more than glad to correct it. When I began this project almost 20 years ago, this was about the only web presence our family had and I received information almost daily. With the advent of other genealogy sites, things have changed.

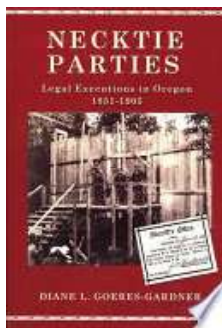
Down  
Memory Lane



Send me your old stories or articles relating to the Dedmon Family. Come on folks!!! Dig into that old shoe box in the closet and bring out the goodies!!!!

*There are some things you are not proud of, but at the same time it is history and it happened. For example there is the murder of Mark Dedmon for making moonshine (see Volume 54). Then there was James L. Dedmon scalded to death by his wife (See Volume 31). In more recent times the episode in Mississippi involving Deryl Dedmon, which I have not reported.... which brings me to this story:*

### THE FIRST LEGAL HANGING



*The following story came from the book, "Necktie Parties: A History of Legal Executions in Oregon, 1851-1905" by Diane L. Goeres-Gardner. The book is available at Amazon.com and probably other places. I could not find a free download. However, there is a digital download for 9.99.*

Early in the month of September, 1864, it was rumored that George Meeks, of Lane county, and a Californian, had been murdered in the Blue mountains, on the Eugene and Canyon City trail, about one hundred and sixty miles east of the former place, whence a party went out in search of the bodies. A few days before, however, Henry Deadmond came in and stated that while he and Meeks and a man from California were camped at Willow creek, on their way to Eugene City, they were attacked by robbers. He said that while he was out herding the horses he heard firing at the camp, on going towards the camp he saw some men on horseback, who, firing at him, he mounted his horse and made his escape. He told that the Californian was at camp and was probably killed, as he thought he heard him calling for help. He did not know what had become of Meeks, as he was out hunting at the time. Other parties came in a few days after and brought with them Meeks' horses which they found on Willow creek. On the strength of their statements, and that of Deadmond, a company, consisting of the brother of Meeks, and several of the citizens of Eugene City, started out to investigate the matter, and, arriving at the place indicated, they found the body of the Californian, a Mr. Isabel, of Yreka, shot through the breast. He had a loaded revolver belted around him, while his gun lay near his side. Neither of the weapons being discharged, it became evident that the murdered man was shot dead when not expecting any danger.

About a thousand dollars in gold was found on his person. Meeks was found some distance from the camp, shot through the head, he too having some money on his body. It is evident that both the men were taken unawares from the fact that none of their firearms were discharged. While the circumstance that neither of the bodies had been disturbed, or searched - the first thing usually done by robbers - and that the canteens at the camp, which was probably supposed to contain all the money of both men, was denuded of their contents believed to have been a large sum of money - raised suspicions against the fellow traveler of the unfortunate men. He was arrested, put upon his trial, found guilty of murder in the first degree and sentenced to suffer the extreme penalty of the law, December 31, 1864, at The Dalles. Twenty-three year old Henry A. Deadmond was executed by hanging for the Wasco County robbery and murder of George Washington Meek and Cranford Isabell. Reports indicate that it took 18 minutes for Henry Deadmond to die after the trap door was sprung.

The week before the hanging a detachment of soldiers were dispatched from Pendleton and garrisoned in The Dalles to insure a peaceful execution. Authorities feared the other members of Deadmond's gang and his brother Riley, might try to break him out of jail. Almost a year later on February 10, 1866, Stephen Gardner shot Riley Deadmond to death, during an altercation in the Eugene Long Tom Saloon on Willamette Street in Eugene.

Deadmond's was the first legal hanging in Wasco County. His father Bluford Deadmond and younger brother William "Riley" Deadmond, both of Eugene, Oregon had traveled to Wasco County to testify for the defense.

He was the eldest surviving child of Bluford and Emeline (Adams) Deadmond (their firstborn son died in infancy). The Deadmonds had twelve children and the family crossed the plains and arrived in the Oregon Territory in 1853, settling in Lane County. The family operated a ferry on the McKenzie River near Springfield, Oregon.

Bluford and Emeline Deadmond and four of their children: William Riley, Mary Imelda, Elizabeth J. and Joseph are all buried in Gillespie Cemetery in Eugene, Oregon.

### THE COBURG BRIDGE CLOSED

The big bridge across the McKenzie this side of Coburg is now closed to travel, and many think the only way to cross the river is to go up to Deadmond's Ferry, several miles out of the way. An easy ford has been discovered near the Coburg school house. People going from Eugene can take the lane at the old Bogard (Bogart) brick house about half way between here and Coburg, and follow the lane till the river is reached. At that place the water is not quite hub deep, and is a very good fording place.

## RILEY DEADMOND

On 10 Feb 1866, Riley Deadmond was shot to death. Almost one year earlier, Riley's older brother, Henry Anderson Deadmond, was hung on February 17, 1865 at The Dalles in Wasco County, OR for the robbery and murder of George W. Meek and Cranford Isabell. Bluford and Riley Deadmond had testified for the defense. Henry Deadmond was buried in St. Peter's Catholic Cemetery in Wasco County. Riley Deadmond was killed 11 months and 3 weeks later during an altercation at the Long Tom Saloon. On the night of February 10, 1866, between eight and nine o'clock in the evening, Riley Deadmond, a notorious character of Lane county, was shot and almost instantly killed in the Long Tom saloon, which Deadmond formerly kept, on Willamette Street, Eugene City, by Stephen Gardner, the then keeper of the place.

The circumstances were, as near as we have been able to ascertain them at this late date: Deadmond was under bonds to make his appearance at the circuit court for having assaulted James E. McCabe with a knife in this same saloon two or three months previously. On the above date, a Saturday, he made some remark which led to the belief that he was about to leave town, intimating that this would be his "last night here" and that, perhaps, there would be a "row in town," etc., or words of a similar purport. A short time before the fatal affray occurred, he saw McCabe, the person above alluded to, on the street, whom he asked to accompany him to the saloon, remarking that he expected to have some fun. After entering the saloon he asked a boy "to take a drink," and on his refusing to do so, he endeavored to force the lad to comply with his request. Gardner ordered him to let the youth alone, whereupon Deadmond seized a stool and came at him. Gardner retreated a little and at the same time Deadmond put down the stool and went into another room, armed

himself with a billiard cue and again made for his antagonist, brandishing the stick and threatening that he would "make it warm" for him. Gardner ordered him to desist, but he still advanced, and, when within six or eight feet, Gardner fired with a revolver; the ball cut Deadmond's left wrist, and passing into the left side of his breast, killed him almost instantly. On Sunday morning, the eleventh, an inquest was held on the body, by Jeremiah Luckey, coroner, with the following jury: Wiley Sparks, Joseph Steventon, Z. P. Sweet, C. P. Sweet, T. G. Hendricks. The body having been subjected to an examination by Dr. Sharples, the wound was pronounced by him sufficient to have caused immediate death. After an interrogation of witnesses, the jury decided; "That the said Riley Deadmond, on the evening of Saturday, tenth of February, 1866, about nine o'clock, did receive a pistol wound at the hands of Stephen Gardner, which, from the testimony of a surgeon, after a proper examination of the body, did cause the death of said Riley Deadmond."

On the following day, Monday the 12th a preliminary examination was had before Capt. E. A. Rice, J. P., G. B. Dorris acting as counsel for the State and Mr. Mitchell for the defendant, when Gardner was discharged on the ground that the killing was an act of self-defense, and that there was no ground for further prosecution. Riley Deadmond was a brother to Henry Deadmond, mentioned above and who was executed at The Dalles. He was considered a rough character, who usually went armed and had frequently made assaults upon parties before; indeed, it was generally expected that he would meet with a violent end, so that, while the people of the quiet community of Eugene City were shocked and grieved at the fatal and disgraceful tragedy, they were not surprised.

~from the Illustrated History of Lane County-Walling.



TAKEN AT A DEADMOND FAMILY REUNION



## THE BRICK WALL



*I have discovered at least five major Deadman branches that we have not been able to connect. If you have information on any of the Deadman family branches, please submit.*

Thomas Deadmond was born Mar. 22, 1784 in Bedford County, VA (Some researchers list his birth in NC). He died Sep. 20, 1851 in Sandoval, Marion County, IL. He married Elizabeth Milliron, June 01, 1809 in Bedford County, VA. She was born August 27, 1793 in Frankfurt, Germany (Tombstone says Bedford County, VA) She died Feb. 19, 1862 in Sandoval, Marion County, IL. She was the daughter of Henry B. Milliorn, Sr. and Catherine (Burger) Milliorn. They lived in Bedford Co., VA, Orange Co., NC and "Middle Tenn" before settling in Marion Co., IL, 1827/1828. He ran a trading post and was a Justice of the Peace.

Their 12 children were: Jerusha Deadmond, she married Peter Wilbourn, Joseph Deadmond he married Susannah Wilbourn, Justine Deadmond, Martha Susan Deadmon, she married John Wilkes Wilbourn, Bluford Deadmond, he married Emeline Adams, Denisha D. Deadmond, she married Eliga McDonough Hays, Lutisha Deadmond, she married Samuel Allen Huff, Narcissa Deadmond she married Arthur Crawford, Thomas Nun Deadmond, he married Rachel McClelland. Melisha Deadmond she married Radford M. Welch, James Gaston Deadmond, he died in an hunting accident in 1844 and John Henry Deadmond. he married Elizabeth. John Henry settled in Eugene, OR, after disagreement over the Civil war with his brother Bluford and moved to the Oregon coast; where he acquired a cattle ranch, town property and a gold mine. Served in "Indian Wars", OR, 1855, and resided in Port Orford, OR.

Thomas died, at age 67, on the land which he had planned on staying for just one winter. "Winter caught them before they could get settled, and they built a 3-sided log cabin. They drug 6-8' logs with their team to the 4th side/open end of the cabin and burned it for heat. The following summer horn flies were so bad that both man and beast couldn't work in the open but had to stay in the thick woods as much as possible.

There is disagreement as to the parents of Thomas. Some researchers have him as the son of William Lane and Mary Green Deadman. While others show him to be the son of Samuel and Eleanor Howard Dedman. In either case there is a definat change in spelling.

In my records, I do not have a son by the name of Thomas to William Lane and Mary Green Dedmon. of course that does not mean there is not one. He began showing up a few years ago in some of the family trees on Ancestry.com.

Here is what Annie Laura Deadmon Griffith wrote in her publication of the Dedman family. "I did not prove that this Thomas Deadmond was the son of Samuel Dedman, but I believe that he is because this Thomas had the same birthdate as Samuel Dedman's son Thomas, and I have not found any other Thomas Dedman that could be his son. If anyone knows if this is correct or not-please write to me or to Mrs. Mary Lyons. This is the only child of Samuel Dedman that was not proven. --Anna Laura (Deadmon) Griffith. The following information on this family was sent to me by Mrs. Mary K. Lyons, Rt 1 Box 160 A., Sandoval, Illinois. This is from her 15 years of research, with the help of others. My special thanks to her for allowing me to print all of it. Thomas Deadmond, born 1784, married Elizabeth Milliron; tradition says she was born in Etankfort, Germany on the Rhine River, and that her mother's maiden name was Burger. We know Thomas and his family lived in Bedford Co., Va., Orange Co., N.C., and "Middle Tenn." before settling in Marion Co., IL. Thomas died on the land wherw he had planned on staying just one winter. The Deadmond cemetery is located on this land, and 152 years later some of his descendants are still there. "The Deadmond cemetery is located 4 miles from Sandoval, where generations of Deadmonds and Wilbourns were buried. The Deadmond cemetery was originally started when a sick old native American guy came knocking on their door one night during the winter. They had tried to get him back to health, but couldn't. When he died, they buried him under a tree at the bottom of a hill, with a big rock as his headstone. You can still see the rock today, but its harder to find because it is surrounded by bushes and trees. According to FindAgrave.com, there are 359 graves. There are 114 listed with the Deadmond surname. This would, of course, include the wives of the Deadmonds.



Another problem I have in assignhing Thomas to William is that several researchers list his daughter Polly as born in 1874, the year of Thomas birth. I have not seen evidence to move Thomas from Samuel Dedman and Eleanor Howard to William Deadmon and Mary Green.

## ODIN AND SANDOVAL

Odin Township originally had Odin and Sandoval as one town, but was divided in 1896. As a result of advertising and word of mouth, by the Illinois Central Railroad, some of the first Scandinavian settlers came to Illinois and founded the City of Odin. It's name came from a Scandinavian mythology god. Thomas Deadmond was the first settler arriving around 1827. After living there a few years, he entered 80 acres in Sec. 28 in January 1837. Silas Barr arrived some time in 1829 and Samuel McClelland came in 1830 moving near Mr. Barr. Some time after 1865 more families arrived and the village grew. Around 1885 Odin celebrated in honor of striking coal. Its operators were N. Morrison, H. Woodward and F. Secor. C. L. Miller established the first Bank around 1890. Odin is very proud of its history. More so of its citizens. Some of them leaving greater impressions than others with such careers as: professional Baseball Players, Doctors, Lawyers, Teachers, Army nurses and a Chief Justice of the Illinois Supreme Court. In 1856, Odin was first served by the railroad and at that time, it was also the longest railroad in the world... 705 miles long!

The memories of many incidents associated with the arrival of our forefathers in Odin township are rekindled as we visit those who relate true facts and those who pass on legend. The Territory of Illinois was separated from that of Indiana in 1809. The newly appointed governor for this territory was Ninian Edwards, and the seat of government established at Kaskaskia. By an act of Congress in April, 1818, Illinois was admitted to the Union as the twenty-second state with Shadrach Bond the first governor. Marion County was organized on January 24, 1823, and named for General Francis Marion, a hero of the Revolutionary War.

Odin township originally had the villages of Odin and Sandoval within its boundaries, however, in 1896 it was divided into Odin and Sandoval townships. The hundredth anniversary of our village dates from the time the Illinois Central Railroad secured land grants in order to build the railroad from Chicago to Cairo. The land not needed for the railroad bed was later sold to interested farmers for eight to twelve dollars per acre. Payments could be made over a period of several years.

Thomas Deadmond, a Virginian, arrived in the timber in the southern part in 1827. The season was well advanced. He erected a shed-home with the roof slanting toward the north and the south wall left open. A log fire afforded warmth and a cooking area. Silas Barr came to the township in 1829. Two years later he entered the first tract of land in section 27. Soon his brother James N. Barr came from Tennessee. This was the father of Oliver Barr and grandfather of Hobart Barr.

During our visit to Hobart's we enjoyed reading a letter written by his grandfather and dated December 14, 1847. James N. Barr was with the army during the Mexican War. He wrote of the "noise being made by the Indians and Spaniards," and his company was ready to advance. His letter was folded several times and sealed with a drop of sealing wax.

Samuel McClelland settled in 1830 near Silas Barr. Three brothers by the name of Wilburn settled here at an early date. James Adams, Thomas Pigg, and John Hill were early settlers and were respected for their honesty. All the farms in this locality were for many years confined to the timber but Bluford Deadmond ventured out into the prairie and selected a farm site near the center of the township.

### SANDOVAL TOWNSHIP

Very little is known how Sandoval came about, but legends tell of trails crossing her and a trading post located in the South Eastern section, was owned by a man named Sandoval. The trail called the Vincennes-St Louis, was originally an Indian Trail. It was used by early settlers and wagon trains heading West. It became the stagecoach route into St. Louis.

*-Annie Laura Deadmon Griffith*

### JOSEPH DEADMOND

Joseph William Deadmond, 82, a retired farmer, died this morning in his home on Grimes Avenue after a long illness. Funeral Services are pending at the Franklin & Downs Funeral Home. A native of Centralia, Ill., he had lived in Modesto since 1916.

He leaves his widow, Verne Deadmond of Modesto; four brothers and sisters; Homer Deadmond, Susan Atwood, and Loreta Burtch of Modesto and Elvin Deadmond of Ashland, Ore., and a grandson, Kenneth Deadmond of Sacramento.

**The Modesto Bee Friday  
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## BLUFORD AND EMALINE DEADMOND



Bluford Deadmond

Emaline Deadmond

**Bluford Deadmond**, was born in Bedford county, VA, March 28, 1815, to **Thomas and Elizabeth Milliron Deadmond**. He married **Emaline Adams**, on December 31, 1837, in Marion county, IL. She was born in New Bedford County, VA, on March 8, 1822, to **James and Elizabeth Doss Adams**. In 1853, they came overland to Oregon with their first six children, (James Thomas, Henry Anderson, William Riley, Elizabeth Jane, Harriet Perlina, and Susan Luticia) settling in Lane County, five miles north of Eugene, on the McKenzie, where they resided until their deaths. They were the parents of twelve children, only these six were living at the time of their deaths: Harriet P. Watson of Idaho; John Tomas Deadmond of Eastern Oregon; Richard Roy Deadmond of Deerhorn, OR; Mary I.E. Skinner, of Eugene, OR; Bluford Jefferson Deadmond, Jr, of Silver Lake, OR; and Jasper Adams Deadmond of Eugene, OR.

Bluford, the old pioneer, passed away January 25, 1900 at 2 p.m., after an illness due mainly to old age, and was therefore aged 84 years, 9 months and 28 days. His funeral was at the family residence on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Friends of the family were respectfully invited to attend. Burial was in the Gillespie Cemetery; Eugene, Lane County, OR

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**Mrs. Emaline Deadmond**, a Lane county pioneer, aged 87 years, died from old age at 121 Jefferson Street, Eugene, OR, Nov. 4, 1909, at 8:30 p.m. The funeral was Saturday at 10 a.m. at the Christian church, with interment in the Gillespie Cemetery.

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The Deadmond Family operated a ferry across the McKenzie River near Coburg and Mohawk, Oregon:

## JOSEPH JAMES DEADMOND

Joseph James Deadmond, son of Joseph and Susan Deadmond, was born in Marion County, Ill, August 17, 1842, and departed this life June 15, 1937, at the age of 94 years, 9 months and 29 days. He was united in marriage to Margaret Johnson Feb 28, 1867. She preceded him in death more than 13 years ago. To this union were born ten children three of whom preceded both mother and father in death.



In his early life he was converted and became a member of the Church of Christ in Illinois. He later joined the Reno Church of Christ at Peace Creek after moving to Kansas and remained a faithful member. He moved to Kansas Aug. 17, 1882 and lived on the same farm during the remainder of his life. He gave assurance of his testimony many times in his recent illness that he had surrendered all and was ready to go to his home beyond.

Grandpa was one of our greatest citizens. he was a kind and cheerful husband and father and an honorable and upright man. He will be missed by a host of friends and neighbors. He leaves to mourn their loss three sons, I. E. Deadmond of Ashland, Ore., J. W. Deadmond of Modesto, Calif., and J. H. of Sterling, Kans; four daughters Mrs. Mattie Lavielle of Sterling, Kans., Mrs Levina Baker of Plevna, Kans., Mrs. Loretta Burtch of Modesto, Calif., and Mrs. Susan Atwood of Modesto, Calif.; (Jennis D. Wright, adopted daughter) thirty-one grandchildren; thirty-seven great grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; two brothers, Andrew Deadmond, 93 years, and Bluford Deadmond, 90 (different Bluford than one on left) years, both of Salem, IL.

Grandpa Deadmond lived to a ripe old age and after two months of illness passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mattie Lavielle, after saying he would be glad when God saw fit to call him to a better home.

Dearest father, thou hast left us, We thy loss do deeply feel, But our God who hath bereft us, He can all our sorrows heal. *(Obviously written by a grandchild)* The Sylvia Sun; Sylvia, Kansas, June 24, 1937, page 1

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## DOROTHY DEADMOND

Dorothy M. Deadmond, 94, residing at The Milton Home in South Bend, IN passed away on Saturday, June 15, 2013.



She was born June 2, 1919 in South Bend to the late William H. and Mary (Lane) Palmer. She was preceded in death by two brothers, Claude and Jack Palmer. On May 4, 1942 in South Bend, she was united in marriage to Herbert B. Deadmond, who passed away on November 26, 1997. Dorothy is survived by three loving children, Wm Lee Deadmond of South Bend, her daughter-in-law Carolynne, Marianne Shumaker of Portland, OR, Jane (Terry) Billger of Plano, TX; her grandchildren Jennifer Richards, Steven Deadmond, Craig (Dorame) Deadmond, Katy Shumaker and Stacey Billger; great grandchildren Sydni, Nathaniel, Michael, Dylan, Hannah, Emma, Ava, Natalie, and Charlie, and her great great grandson Bentley. The family gratefully acknowledges her beloved cousin, Barbara Hoffman, who was constant in her love, care and support of our Mom. Throughout her life Dorothy was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother who always had time to spend with her family and friends. She is a former member of the Eastern Star, Post #50 American Legion and the Scottish Rite Auxiliary. Friends may visit with the family on Wednesday, June 19, 2013 at Chapel Hill Memorial Gardens in Osceola where graveside services will be held at 11:00 AM. Palmer Funeral Homes-River Park, South Bend, IN is assisting the Deadmond Family. Contributions in memory of Dorothy may be made to Harbor Light Hospice, 1608 E. Day Rd, Mishawaka, IN 46545. Online condolences may be made [www.palmerfuneralhomes.com](http://www.palmerfuneralhomes.com)

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## JOHN RILEY DEADMOND

John Riley Deadmond Jr., 70, passed away early Tuesday morning May 5, 2009, in Helena. John was born in Bozeman on June 30, 1938, to John R. and Dorothy (Drummond) Deadmond. He was raised in Townsend and graduated from Broadwater County High School in 1956. He then worked in the Butte mines, then in contract mines in Elliston for a time. Thirty-two years of John's working career was with ASARCO as a safety officer.



For 16 years, he coached the Lions Swim Team. John supported the United Way and in 1984 was the recipient of the Volunteer of the Year Award. He was active in the East Helena Improvement Association, serving as secretary for one year. He was active in the Good Sam "Prickley Pear" and "Mixed Nuts" chapters, serving as president of the Prickley Pear chapter for several years. Traveling and camping were his greatest pleasures since retirement.

He was preceded in death by his parents and sister, Dorothy. Surviving are his wife, Janet; step-children, Rachelle (Dale) Houska of Three Forks and Lisa (Jim) Williams of Helena; grandchildren, Chad, Karsyn, Kylie and Chase; brothers, Jim (Sherry) Deadmond of Twin Falls, Idaho, Bill (Rosemary) Deadmond of Townsend and Lloyd Deadmond; sisters, Doris (Harry) Kipp of Murdock, Wash., and Mary Jane (John) Bryant of Bramford, Fla.; and brother-in-law Lou Lucke and family of Havre.

"We were a team all the way, you were the navigator and I was the driver. Rest in peace my love, until we meet again." A memorial service celebrating John's life will be at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 9, at the Retz Funeral Home Chapel. Interment will follow at Forestvale Cemetery. Memorials in John's name are suggested to the Make-A-Wish Foundation, Montana Chapter; 7 S. Howard St., Suite 414, Spokane, WA 99201; or to an organization of charity of the donor's choice.

## HERBERT DEADMOND

South Bend Tribune 11/29/1997 - SOUTH BEND - Herbert B. Deadmond, 86, residing on Waxwing Lane, South Bend, Ind., passed away at 5:21 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 26, at St. Joseph's Medical Center, South Bend. Mr. Deadmond was the owner and operator of South Bend Automatic, a screw machine production company, for 35 years. He was born on July 15, 1911, in Odin, Ill., to the late Bert and Flora Deadmond. Mr. Deadmond had lived in the South Bend area most of his life. On May 4, 1943, in South Bend, he married Dorothy M. Palmer, who survives. He is also survived by two daughters, Jane Billger of Plano, Texas, and Marianne Shumaker of Vancouver, Wash.; a son, William Deadmond of South Bend; and by five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Mr. Deadmond was a member of the First Baptist Church in South Bend, South Bend Lodge 294, F & AM, and the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite Valley of South Bend. Per Mr. Deadmond's wishes, there will be no visitation. Memorial services will be held at a later date. The Hollis-Orvis-Palmer Funeral Home, South Bend, is in charge of arrangements.

## NELSON “DEAN” DEADMOND



Nelson “Dean” Deadmond, 91, of Odin, IL, passed away Friday, July 4, 2014 surrounded by his family. He was born December 12, 1922 the son of Joseph and Clara (Williams) Deadmond in Odin. He married Marion “Rosebud” Helen Chappell on October 15, 1946 in Mayfield, Kentucky. She survives in Odin, IL

In addition to his wife, Rosebud; survivors include his daughter Patty DeWeese, husband Tom of Sandoval; son Larry Deadmond, wife Carolyn of Odin; grandchildren Brenda Kunick, husband Jim of Sandoval, Kathy Parson, husband Chad of Sandoval, Courtney Reams, husband Mike of Sandoval, Tracy Deadmond of Sandoval, Amber Deadmond, fiancé Joe Moore of Marion, Lisa Williams, husband Greg of Texas, Darren Deadmond, wife Christy of Oklahoma, and Jason Wilson of Odin; great-grandchildren Jeremy Kunick, fiancée Shylah Seals, Bethany Kunick, Jordan Parson, Kylie Parson, Megan Parson, Joshua Reams, Justin Deadmond, Jessica Reed, husband Richard, Cody Deadmond, Cameron Deadmond, Abby Stell, Tristan Moore, Ashton Rains, Kelan Rains, Brennan Deadmond, Christian Deadmond; great-great-grandchildren Emily Kay Deadmond-Bollheimer, Caroline Reed, Mira Grace Deadmond, and great-great-granddaughter, Paisleigh Deadmond expected to arrive Sept. 24.

He was preceded in death by his parents Joseph and Clara Deadmond; son Nelson Dean Deadmond Jr.; daughter-in-law Sandy Wilson; sisters Irma Hawkins and Isabell Ross; brothers Charles “Chic” Deadmond, Irvin Dale Deadmond, Joseph Deadmond, Wilson “S” Deadmond and Ira “Bud” Deadmond. Dean served in the United States Army, during WWII in New Guinea. For 21 years, he was employed with the Vandalia Correctional Center and was a supervisor in the kitchen. He was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church. He served his church as a Deacon and Sunday School Teacher. He was a member of the Masonic Lodge and the American Legion. He liked cooking, antiques, yard work, flowers, and gardening. Also, he enjoyed family dinners, telling stories, and visiting with the grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Services will be held 1:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 8, 2014 at the Bethel Baptist Church in Odin with the Rev. Ray Barnes officiating. Burial will follow at Peaceful Valley Cemetery. Visitation will be from 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday at the church. Memorial contributions may be made to the Bethel Baptist Church. On-line condolences and memories of Dean may be shared with the family at:

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Betty McCabe, daughter of James W. and Eva (Corson) McCabe, was born in Modesto, California and died in Myrtle Creek, Oregon after a 3 year battle with cancer. She is a descendant of early

Stanislaus County families-McCables, Fitzpatricks, and Patrones. Betty attended local schools and graduated from Modesto High School in 1940. She met Don Richards in High School. They married in November of 1941 and had 3 children. After Don’s death Betty met and married Blake Deadmond of Modesto. They had 2 children.

Betty worked many years as a waitress at the lunch counter in the San Francisco Fruit Market on Ninth Street in Modesto (later Angelo’s Market). In 1984 Betty joined the Board of the Modesto Citizen’s Cemetery and later served as President of the Board. She started working in the Cemetery as a volunteer and then as a paid employee. While there, in close conjunction with the Stanislaus County Genealogical Society, she diligently updated and corrected the Cemetery records. From 1995-2003 Betty was the Office Manager for both Modesto Citizen’s Cemetery and Modesto Pioneer Cemetery. In 2003 she retired from both Cemeteries and moved to Myrtle Creek, Oregon.

Betty was preceded in death by both husbands, son Melvin Deadmond (cystic fibrosis), and step-son, Bill Dickens. She leaves her son Jim (wife Tanya) Richards of Reno, Nevada; daughter Janice Skiles of Escalon; son and caretaker, Glen Richards of Myrtle Creek, Oregon; daughter Marla(husband Adam) Fisher of Hilmar, and step-daughter, Dee Oaks of Modesto. She is also survived by 10 grandchildren, and 17 great grandchildren, 3 great-great-grandchildren and several cousins.

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