

Obituaries

Allen James Clark

July 7, 1946 - December 22, 2018

Allen James Clark, known to friends as Jim, died peacefully surrounded by his loved ones on December 22nd, 2018 in Yuma, Arizona at the age of seventy-two. Jim was born on July 7th, 1946 in Johnstown, Pennsylvania and lived there until he was twelve; his family then moved to Phoenix. In high school, he played football, participated in student government, and was voted "Most Likely to Succeed". Jim received his bachelor's degree in Government and then his law degree from the University of Arizona. He graduated near the top of his law class. Beginning in 1971, he ran a successful law practice for over forty years, most of which was practiced in Yuma. A few of his many accomplishments include: serving on the Arizona Supreme Court Committee on Character and Fitness, being named one of the one hundred best civil trial lawyers in Arizona in 2011 and 2012, and serving as a judge on the Yuma County Superior Court. Along with his first wife, Carol, he lovingly raised and generously provided for two daughters, Ann and Sarah, in Yuma, Arizona. In 2006, he married his beloved wife Lili.



Aside from his professional life, Jim had a deep love for the outdoors and fishing. He was a smart, creative, funny, generous, and passionate man. No one was better at celebrating than Jim - he was the first to pop a bottle of champagne when the occasion warranted it. Jim continued to provide help and support to his children and grandchildren in multiple ways long after they were grown. Jim will be sorely missed by his wife, Lili Clark, his daughters Ann Clark (Jason) and Sarah Clark (Jerry), his brother Bill Clark (Nancy), his sister Jeanne Clark, his grandsons, Zeke, Leo, and Cyrus and his friend and paralegal, Jeanie Sullivan (Jim). Jim was predeceased by his mother, Marion Clark, and his father, William Clark.

A funeral service will be held at 2 PM on Friday, December 28, 2018 at Johnson Mortuary, 1415 S. 1st Avenue Yuma, Arizona. A reception at the Garden Cafe Restaurant, 250 South Madison Ave, will begin at 4:30 PM. A graveside service will be held at 9:30 AM on December 31st.

Memorial donations may be made to: The National Park Foundation (www.nationalparks.org). Please sign the guestbook at www.legacy.com/obituaries/yumasun

Rosemary Joaquin Pasqual

May 18, 1939 - December 23, 2018

Rosemary Joaquin Pasqual passed from this life on Sunday December 23, 2018 at YRMC. She was born to Juan and Rose Hammond Joaquin on May 18, 1939 at Ft Yuma, CA.



Rosemary attended Ft Yuma School, Yuma Union High School and graduated from Arizona Western College. She retired from San Pasqual School District after 31 years starting as a teachers aide and moving on to become the High School Librarian. She was a past officer of the San Pasqual CSEA union and a member of their retirement unit.

Rosemary was a sports fan, her favorite teams are the Oakland Raiders, Golden State Warriors, Phoenix Suns and Boston Celtics. She spent a lot of time listening to country western music and her favorite artist was Elvis Presley. She also enjoyed reading, doing crossword puzzles, and playing bingo at Paradise Casino.

Rosemary is survived by her daughters, Terry Long, Kathy (Mark) Tomlinson, daughter from another mother Sherry Cordova, sons David W. Long and Ray Pasqual (Rosalinga WhitePigeon), daughter in law, Sandra Quahlupe. Granddaughters: Caroline (Felicia) Long, Anna (Robert) Ortega and Irma Salazar. Grandsons: Jonathan Wilson, Adam and James W Long and Daniel Luna Quahlupe, and eight great grandchildren. She is also survived by her brother John Joaquin, sisters Griselda and Pearl Joaquin, cousins Rachel Curtis, Bryce Parker and numerous other cousins, nieces and nephews.

Preceding her in death are her parents, her brother Thomas Joaquin, sons Darryl Long and Thurman Quahlupe, daughters Sheila Quahlupe Luna and Karen Quahlupe, grandson Stephen Quahlupe and granddaughter Angela M Luna.

There will be a viewing on Saturday, December 29, 2018 at Yuma Mortuary from 3 to 4:30 PM. Tribal rites at the Quechan Cry House beginning at 5 PM with cremation at 5AM on Sunday, December 30, 2018.

Pallbearers: Adam and James W. Long, Daniel Luna Quahlupe, Robert Ortega, Patrick TwoHearts, Eric L. Hills and Claudio Palone.

Honorary Pallbearers: John Joaquin, Louis Robles, Earl Daniel, Jonathan Wilson, Ron C. Aguerro, Jordan Joaquin, Darren Short, Dwayne Peck, Xavier Osborne, Keeny Escalanti Jr. Paul WhitePigeon Jr, Alonzo Lopez, Kevin Chaparosa and Jerome TwoHearts. Please sign the guestbook at www.legacy.com/obituaries/yumasun

Harry Miller Wilcox Jr.

November 26, 1929 - December 17, 2018

Harry Miller Wilcox Jr. of Dexter, Missouri, born on November 26, 1929 in St. Joseph, MO., passed away at age 89 on December 17, 2018 in Yuma, Arizona. Harry graduated from Dexter High School and after graduation joined the Navy where he served for 22 years as an aircraft mechanic. While in the



Navy, Harry traveled around the world serving in the Korean and Vietnam wars. He was especially proud of the time he spent with VP-40 and the Blue Angels. After retirement from the Navy, Harry worked in the Aerospace industry at Lockheed, McDonnell Douglas, and Boeing.

Harry is survived by his daughters, Roxanna Angell and Rebecca Piercy; brother Richard Wilcox; nephews Mark and Mike Wilcox; grandchildren Seth Angell, Haley Angell, Karmin Prentice and Luke Zigler and great-grandchildren, Kylie Angell, Cole Angell, Madison Varnell, Gracie Varnell, Sophie Dally, Payton Zigler, MacKenna Zigler, Lucey Zigler. He loved living in Arizona after retirement and his favorite pastime was playing golf with friends and sharing a cold beer at the 19th hole.

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Saudi king orders Cabinet shakeup after reporter's killing

ASSOCIATED PRESS

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Saudi Arabia's King Salman issued a wide-ranging overhaul of top government posts on Thursday, including naming a new foreign minister, following international fallout from the killing of Saudi writer Jamal Khashoggi nearly three months ago.

He also ordered a shakeup of the kingdom's supreme council that oversees matters related to security. The council is headed by the king's son, Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman, whose powers including roles as deputy prime minister and defense minister, were untouched

in the overhaul.

The changes appear to further consolidate the crown prince's grip on power by appointing to key posts advisers and members of the royal family seen as close to him.

It may also signal further efforts to show that changes are being made after the U.S. Senate passed a resolution saying it believes the crown prince is to blame for Khashoggi's grisly murder inside the Saudi consulate in Istanbul.

As the crown prince struggles to convince many in Washington and other Western capitals that he had nothing to do with Khashoggi's killing, the soft-spoken Adel al-Jubeir

was replaced as foreign minister by Ibrahim al-Assaf, a longtime former finance minister. Al-Jubeir was appointed to minister of state for foreign affairs at the Foreign Ministry.

Al-Assaf is well known to international investors, having led several Saudi delegations to the World Economic Forum in Davos. He served as finance minister under King Fahd and King Abdullah.

Al-Assaf sits on the boards of oil-giant Saudi Aramco and the kingdom's sovereign wealth fund. The crown prince oversees both entities. He holds a Ph.D. in Economics from Colorado State University and a master's degree from the

University of Denver, according to his biography on Aramco's website.

Al-Assaf had been serving as a minister of state last year when he was reportedly detained at the Ritz-Carlton hotel in Riyadh along with dozens of high-ranking officials and princes in an anti-corruption sweep led by the crown prince. Shortly after, Al-Assaf appeared back at a Cabinet meeting to the surprise of many.

The government did not name those detained nor disclose what crimes they were suspected of committing. The Associated Press could not independently confirm reports of Al-Assaf's arrest.

ARREST

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pushing an employee.

There were no reported injuries from this incident and the value of property taken was over \$4,000.

Then, at about 7:05 p.m. on Wednesday,

Yuma police located a male suspect who matched the description from the robbery and he was taken in for questioning by detectives.

The suspect, Martin, was later taken into custody and booked into Yuma County jail for robbery and assault.

The Yuma Police Department

encourages anyone with any information about this case to please call them at 928-373-4700 or 78-Crime at 928-782-7463 to remain anonymous.

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ACADEMY

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and a "promise award" for \$4,000 from ASU.

These students must qualify for the free-and-reduced lunch program while in high school, and maintain a 3.0 GPA in high school.

So far the academy has been completed by 208 students and family members from San Luis High School, 89 from Yuma High School and 93 from Kofa High School. These join the nearly 100,000 who have graduated in the last dozen years from the Phoenix area.

The American Dream Academy is expanding to Vista High School next semester, and will hopefully reach Cibola High School in the near future, Corr said.

ASU is partnering with Arizona Western College and the Yuma Union High School District in bringing the academy to the state's

southwest corner, where for years officials have been working to boost high school and college graduation rates.

Both students and parents are required to attend the eight-week course, one hour per week. They are taught about the college application process, how to access financial aid, how to motivate students to focus on their academic performance and their future, and other tools.

"We bring a lot of information to families. We try to target first-generation families but we're open to everyone," Corr said. "We target first-generation families because we feel they're really the people who are sort of lost when it comes to the education system, the American school system."

The course does cover a lot about the American school system, including how public schools are founded and the roles that administrators and others have within the system, so

parents know who best to go to with questions and concerns.

How to navigate the processes of applying for college and financial aid is explained, and students also get tips for building a digital portfolio for their work.

All course materials are furnished to families at no cost. Consistent attendance is a big emphasis of the program, particularly with the financial aid available for families who do graduate.

"We work nonstop in making sure our families are reminded they have to finish the program," Corr said. So far there has been a 70 percent retention rate at all the Yuma schools, she added.

The academy encourages all participating students to attend a community college or four-year university without endorsing one path over the other, but Corr said, "Most of our students end up opting to go to a community college, rather than ASU. That's a big

deal to know, especially in Yuma, to know that.

"And I think it's a smart move for students to start going to a community college, rather than go right to a university," she said.

A community college is often the more realistic destination, particularly for first-generation students, she said. "They're just not ready to move on to a four-year university, for whatever reason, but mainly because they have other responsibilities, more than, say, students whose parents did go to college.

"They have very different challenges and needs," she said.

ASU has programs similar to the American Dream Academy that reach students in middle and grade schools, and some local elementary school districts have already expressed some interest, Corr said.

For more information about the program, visit eoss.asu.edu/ada.

WELLTON

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The town's success in winning grants continued apace this year, he said, as the federal Community Development Block Grant program awarded the municipality \$481,000 for a fire station expansion to the water tender truck the town purchased in 2015.

Another CDBG grant for \$500,000, plus another \$385,000 from the HOME Investment Partnership program, will rehabilitate owner-occupied homes in need of repair.

Funds from the Arizona Department of Environmental Quality are covering the engineering costs for building a loop in the water system serving Coyote Wash, to improve water quality during the summer, and a beautification grant from Southern Pacific gave the town a chance to clean up a blighted property on the rail line.

The town's fire department used the burning of buildings on the property as a training opportunity for recruits, and volunteers continue to remove the debris left behind, Killman said.

The town was able to re-start its free KidsClub summer program this year with another grant, \$4,200 from the Cocopah Indian Tribe, he added.

The town took over its signature Tractor Rodeo event in January after it

lost its sponsor of nearly 40 years, Yuma Regional Medical Center, and will be doing it again next month, on Jan. 18-19.

In spite of the progress that's been made this year, Killman said, "It's still very tight out here. We're still losing population in the east county, a lot of people don't understand that."

This is because there aren't as many residents in Dateland, Hyder and other further-out communities to come in and shop in Wellton, to build back its sales-tax base. The town does not have a property tax, and voters rejected a proposal to institute one in 2017.

Funds are so tight that a past success can sometimes come back to haunt the town, as it did in the form of a long-planned pedestrian bridge the Arizona Department of Transportation is now moving forward with.

Killman's predecessors applied six years ago for funding for the million-dollar bridge and multiuse path over Coyote Wash at Los Angeles Avenue, and construction could start in early 2019.

Wellton is required to pay a local share of \$59,000, but is only getting about \$100,000 in state Highway User Revenue Funds per year, its lone source for street maintenance funds.

"So I'm basically doing no paving, and no patchwork, because all of my money has to go to that bridge. They sent me what

the bill was and I tried to get out of it, I said I don't have the \$60,000.

"I never had a pedestrian bridge for golf carts, and they seem to go back and forth across the wash every day with no problem, maybe a little bit dangerous," he said.

But a couple of potential projects that could bring a significant number of new jobs to the area are leaving him optimistic. "East county, we're not the shining star right now, we may be one of these days," he said.

The November 2018 election returned two incumbents, Mayor Cecilia McCollough and Councilman Kenneth Baughman, and is bringing one new councilman, Scott Blitz, to the dais. Blitz was sworn into office this month and will begin casting his votes in January.

Killman said he hadn't had much of a chance to speak to Blitz as of mid-December, so was unsure of how his presence would affect the town, other than his desire to have the town provide internet access to residents and businesses.

McCollough said in an email this week, "Our voter turnout was up and, with the number of candidates on the ballot, the margins were smaller. I am very grateful for the privilege to serve a third term and honored to have been appointed to continue as mayor."

She added, "Mr. Blitz is well qualified and engaged

in the community. I believe our council will continue to work well together for the good of the Town of Wellton and our entire community."

Blitz said in a campaign document posted on his Facebook account before the August primary that his priorities include giving every resident a voice whether they're part-time or full-time, small business development, and starting a local business group that would meet often and brainstorm ideas on bringing in new development.

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