

Arlie E. Seems

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Arlie E. Seems, age 62, died Wednesday following a long battle with primary sclerosing cholangitis.

A memorial service will be held on Monday, April 8, 2013, at 4 p.m. at the old St. Francis Church in downtown Bend.

Arlie was born in Bend on on Nov. 15, 1950, to Thorel (Stub) and Betty (Daly) Seems. A lifelong resident of Bend, Arlie attended St. Francis School through the eighth grade and graduated from Bend Senior High in 1969. He played second base for his high school and college baseball teams.

He went to Southern Oregon College in Ashland, graduating with a degree in elementary education in 1973. He returned to Bend and taught at Jewell and Buckingham schools as well as being a drivers training instructor before retiring in 2004.

Following his retirement, he substituted in the school district for another eight years.

While in college, he met Wendy Ellis and they were married in 1974. They have two children, Katie Seems (fiancé, Nick Kessel), of Bend, and Stephanie Hoffman (Kevin), of Sherwood. He also has two grandchildren, Myles Platt and Grace Hoffman.

Other survivors include a sister, LaVerna Reid of Folsom, Calif., a brother, Raymond, of Bend, and numerous nieces and nephews.

Arlie loved teaching and was a dedicated and caring educator. He spent countless hours providing enriching activities for his students. He gave of his time to run a noon football program that provided children of all abilities a chance to play the game. For years his students participated in the play "The Wizard of Oz," which past students still remember fondly.

Arlie was an avid outdoorsman. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping and boating.

He played softball for many years and was known for all his double plays and home runs. He loved spending time with his family and friends. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks for donations to Hospice House, 2075 N.E. Watt Court, Bend, OR, 97701.



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