



Adele Middleton

July 20, 1914 - January 17, 2010

Adele Middleton, 95, a long time resident of Corvallis, passed away at home Sunday evening, January 17, surrounded by her family.

Adele Marie Kamara was born in Astoria to Finnish-Norwegian immigrants Isak and Edel Margrethe Kamara. She grew up on the family farm in Lewis and Clark. Adele attended Netel School and graduated from Astoria High School in 1932. She was a secretary for Clatsop County before marrying Jack Middleton on April 7, 1940, and she remained at the farm during the war while Jack served in the Navy. Upon moving to Corvallis in 1951, Adele and Jack became partners in Middleton Bros Sheet Metal. After leaving the business Adele used her gift of math as a bookkeeper for small businesses.

Adele was active in Altrusa International for many years. She loved flowers and was a dedicated gardener with an enviable green thumb. She was passionate about music, reading, solving crossword puzzles, genealogy and family heritage. Adele and Jack played golf several times a week at the Albany Golf Club and enjoyed traveling to other courses as well as wintering in Hemet, CA. Living in the family home in Corvallis since 1952, Adele and Jack have seen many families come and go from the neighborhood, providing them with ties around the world. Adele will be remembered for her welcoming nature, her lively bridge parties and backyard barbecues, her beautiful garden, and her unparalleled blackberry pies.

Adele is survived by her husband; their children and spouses, Mary Roesen, Jay Middleton and Jan Keim, Vickie and Ward Bruner, and Bob and Sue

Middleton; their grandchildren, Julie Knudson, Krissy Roesen, Ian Bruner, and Kelsey and Robin Middleton; and her brother, Gilbert Kamara. She was preceded in death by her siblings George, Alvin, Philip, Esther and Erick. A celebration of life will be held in the spring. The family suggests remembrances to the Vina Moses Center, 968 NW Garfield St., Corvallis, Oregon, 97330.

Tribute Wall

RK

“ I was a little worried about my "other mom and dad" when I didn't get the usual Christmas message. All wonderful things such as this beautiful person have a beginning and an end on this earth. Her grace will forever be in our hearts and in heaven. I think of all members of this family often. I still remember Mary and I walking home from Harding school one afternoon and passing by the front window of the Middleton home and there was Mom holding a brand new "Bobby" in her loving arms. That's a picture I'll carry with me forever. Love to you all. Rob't

Robert P. Kroll - May 27, 2010 at 02:11 PM

BP

“ Dearest "Little Mary", Jay, and children and family of Mrs. Middleton, I am so glad she was your mother, and a gracious hostess to me when I visited. What a woman. I am sure her "dance card is being filled" in Heaven. No pain there, only glory. My mother and I send our gladness to you for our knowing her. With sincere love, Bonny and Marion Gathercoal.

Bonny Gathercoal Potter - February 06, 2010 at 11:55 PM

Jl

“ Condolences. I have great memories of my Auntie Adele and family visiting my Grandpa Al, Uncle George and Uncle Gilbert at "the Farm." Sending love to Uncle Jack and cousins Mary, Jay, Vicki and Bob.

Jacqueline Ihander - February 03, 2010 at 02:45 PM

MG

“ Mary, Lou let your classmates know of your families loss. I just wanted you to know you are in my thoughts. I was interested to note that your mother grew up in the Astoria area at the same time that my mother was growing up in Seaside. And it was noted that your mother made a wonderful blackberry pie, which was something that my mother was known for also. Funny coincidences. It sounds as if your mother had a long and wonderful life, and I'm sure your family feels fortunate to have had her presence for such an extended time. Please accept my condolences on your loss.

Midge (Fitz) Guerber - February 02, 2010 at 11:53 AM

KT

“ My family has sweet and wonderful memories of our "Auntie Adele", and we send love to Uncle Jack and our cousins.

Kim Timmerman - February 01, 2010 at 05:37 AM

BW

“ Adele Middleton

Betty Wolfe - January 31, 2010 at 12:35 PM

DB

“ I join in your sorrow, love and prayers, Don

Donald C. Burck - January 31, 2010 at 12:30 PM

RI

“ May the Lord bless you Auntie Adele and comfort your family and friends. You were much loved and will be remembered always.

Rick/Vicki/Jimmy Ihander - January 28, 2010 at 09:53 PM