



Bonnie Burnett

June 22, 1922 - August 3, 2010

Bonnie Dunlavey Burnett passed away Aug. 3 at her home at Timberhill Place in Corvallis. She was 88 years old.

Born June 22, 1922, to Terrence and Grace Dunlavey in Tacoma, Wash., she grew up with her six siblings in San Jose, Calif. In 1943 she married Eugene Burnett, a pilot in the U.S. Army Air Corps, two weeks after meeting him on a blind date. They were married and in love for 53 years until his death in 1996. In 2006, she moved from San Jose to Corvallis to be close to her only daughter, Bonnie Jr., her "favorite son-in-law," Mark Smith, and her grandsons.

Bonnie was an avid reader and quilter, and she also enjoyed antiques. She was known at Timberhill Place for her keen interest in fashion and her jewelry accessories. She was always curious about the world around her and eager to learn new things. She especially loved spending time with her two grandsons. She was a wonderful mother, grandmother and friend. She will be deeply missed.

Along with her daughter and son-in-law, she is survived by grandson Josh Smith and wife Sara Smith of Eugene and grandson Trevor Smith of Agoura Hills, Calif.

A memorial service will take place Aug. 14 at 2 p.m. in San Jose, Calif. Memorial contributions can be made to the American Heart Association or the National World War II Museum in New Orleans.