



## Carol Inez Holt

March 18, 1925 - March 25, 2014

Carol Inez Holt, 89, passed away peacefully at West Hills Assisted Living after a prolonged illness on March 25, 2014. Born in Salem, Oregon on March 18, 1925 to Claude and Lula Seagrove, Carol was the youngest with two older brothers Leo and Raymond.

Carol graduated from Corvallis High School in June of 1943 and began working at Meadowland Creamery where she met the love of her life Raymond LeRoy Holt. After sixteen months of a courtship filled with fishing on the Alsea, trips to the coast, hiking, camping, dancing and good times, they were married on January 14, 1945 at the First Federated (Presbyterian) Church.

By 1946 they had built their family home on Morris Avenue where they raised their six children and lived for 62 years. While first and foremost Carol was wife, mother and homemaker (cooking, schlepping, decorating and renovating) she also partook in activities that defined her person.

As an accomplished violinist, her love of music led to her playing 2nd chair violin in the OSU Symphony. Carol spent many years as a dedicated Girl Scout leader, 2 term president of the Santiam Girl Scout Council, troop leader at the national roundup in Vermont, was instrumental in the purchase and development of Camp Whispering Winds in Kings Valley as well as hosting two girl guides from India. She was a Lifetime Member of the Girl Scout Movement. Her volunteer service included the election board and Good Samaritan Hospital Family Assistance. At First Presbyterian Church she

served as an elder, moderator of Presbyterian women and was a devoted member of the hand bell choir. Carol's passion of sewing for her children and grandchildren expanded to the level of clothing art and design in her later years. Her love of cooking, world travel, family vacations on the Oregon coast, photography, her boisterous support of Beaver athletics and her sweet nature is how we remember Mom. A special memory of her children and grandchildren was helping to bake a wide variety of Christmas treats to share with friends and family.

Carol was preceded in death by her husband Ray, her daughter Eileen and son Stephen. She is survived by daughters Susann, Marsha (Tom), Phyllis and Paula; 12 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held at 3pm, Sunday, April 13th at the First Presbyterian Church in Corvallis.

Memorial donations in Carol's name may be directed to Benton Hospice, 2350 NW Professional Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330

# Tribute Wall



“ *McHenry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Carol Inez Holt*



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**McHenry Funeral Home** - April 22, 2014 at 10:55 AM

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“ *Paul/Judy McConnell lit a candle in memory of Carol Inez Holt*



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**Paul/Judy McConnell** - April 12, 2014 at 09:40 PM

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“ Hello to the Holt Family

*Where does one begin? Your Mom was such an inspiration to so many people-least of which is me!*

*So many good times at Camp Smith Creek where I was a camp counselor for many summers in the '60. I had the pleasure of having all of the Holt sisters at one time or another in my group. Great happenings occurred: campfires, singing, raising/lowering the flag, the BIG meadow, swimming pool, tall Evergreens - such life changing experiences.*

*I obtained a teaching job in Southern California where I met and married my husband, Paul. Many times, we would travel to Eastern Washington to visit family. Corvallis was a good "stopping off" place especially when traveling with two little ones. We were always welcomed with open arms to the Holt home on Morris Ave. for a night or two overnight stay. Anyway, we were able to visit some of our old Girl Scouters as well.*

*She had a long and illustrious life with so many interests and adventures. She will surely be missed.*

*Take Care of yourselves and hope to see you soon,  
Paul and Judy (Bumpy) McConnell : )*

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**Paul/Judy McConnell** - April 12, 2014 at 09:38 PM

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“ I am writing to thank the Holt family for notice of memorial service for Carol. She and I were classmates at Corvallis High, graduating in 1942. We kept up with each other over the years when I moved away from Corvallis but went back to visit my mother and would visit Carol at those times. I moved back to Corvallis in 1985 and picked up on our friendship especially when we had our class reunions. I remember my last one when I was living there this last time. Carol told me that she had gotten a new car and I asked what kind she got. She said it was a Cadillac with all the bells and whistles. I said, "How great!" Since that time, my husband and I moved up here to Bellevue, Washington, so that I could baby sit my younger daughter's first baby who is now age 16. Carol and I still exchanged cards at holiday time, and I loved getting the family photos on her cards. But I had not heard from her for awhile. I heard that her husband had beginning alzheimers and was sorry to hear it as he was always such a great and generous guy. Special thanks to all for notifying me about Carol's passing. She was a wonderful individual and a good friend. I cannot come to the service as do not travel that much any more. My sympathy and condolences to all the family.  
Ruth Clark Morrison -- ruthcmorrison @juno.com

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Ruth Clark Morrison - April 05, 2014 at 02:34 PM