



Doris Riker

December 29, 1923 - December 8, 2007

Doris Irene Riker, 83 of Philomath passed away peacefully on Saturday. Born December 29, 1923 in Sterling, Colorado; she was the daughter of Ernest and Nina Butts Kraft. Doris married Cecil Riker on August 4, 1945 in Denver, Colorado. The couple had four children and resided in Philomath all of their lives. After the children had graduated, Doris began working in the cafeteria at Oregon State University as a kitchen helper. She retired after 18 years of service. She was active in her church, Peace Lutheran Church of Philomath and the last surviving charter member of the church. She enjoyed her gym membership at Fitness Over 50 and was an avid swap meet collector. Doris always hated the idea of flying, but finally took her first airplane ride when she was 80 years old—and learned that she loved to fly! After that, she took several flights to visit her family. She will be remembered for her great sense of humor and her wonderful homemade bread.

Preceded in death by her husband of 52 years, Cecil Riker, who passed in 1998; her daughter Lucille Riker, her parents and three brothers; Doris is survived by her children and their spouses Janet and Dennis Randall, Jane and David Gerber, Mike and Sandi Riker; six grandchildren Myna Carter, Eric Randall, Brian Randall, John Anderson, Andrew Riker, Jason Riker and 15 great grandchildren.

Visitation will be held Wednesday, December 12th from 2:30 to 6:30 pm and funeral service will be Thursday, December 13th at 11:00 am with reception following all at McHenry Funeral Home in Corvallis. Committal Service will be

held at Pedee Cemetery in Pedee at following the reception. Memorial donations in Doris' name may be directed to Peace Lutheran Church Building Fund in care of McHenry Funeral Home in Corvallis.

Tribute Wall

GG

“ *Our thoughts are with you*

Greg & Linda Gerber - December 13, 2007 at 12:38 AM

SP

“ *All of us at the Senior Meals Program wish to extend our thoughts and condolences to your family. Senior Meals Philomath*

Senior Meals Philomath - December 12, 2007 at 02:58 PM

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“ *To all the family. My thoughts are with you as you grieve for Doris. She was a most interesting lady and she will be missed by many. Due to circumstances I will not be able to attend services, I had thought that I could attend the graveside service, but it is not going to be possible. Take of yourselves and may the future bring good things to you all. Colene Lamberty*

Colene Lamberty - December 12, 2007 at 02:55 PM

TC

“ *Dear Jane, I'm sure I can speak for all of your Emblem Club sisters when I say our heartfelt prayers and sympathies are with you in the loss of your Mom. Our sincere condolences to you and your family. Tiny, Donna McKee and Gennie B.*

Tiny Colocado - December 12, 2007 at 02:08 PM

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“ My grandma is one of the most fiery and determined souls I've ever met. When she was put in a nursing home for an illness a couple years ago, she said, "What do they think I am? 100-years-old? I'm too young for a place like this! Get me out of here!"

I remember when I was about 4-years-old, while sleeping at Grandma's one night, a loud thunderstorm broke out. I was so afraid. But Grandma said that all of the rumbling was just the angels bowling. So my thoughts turned to trying to understand how with all of the trouble in the world, God would ever let his angels spend time bowling. Then, I felt no fear. Just the twinkle of mirth that my grandparents embodied.

Myna Ann Carter - December 11, 2007 at 10:24 PM