



## Eleanor Klar Martin

August 23, 1922 - March 27, 2013

Eleanor K. Martin passed away peacefully in Corvallis on Thursday March 27, 2013 at the age of 90 after a brief illness. She was born on August 23, 1922 to Harold and Marion Klar in a farmhouse in West Boylston, Massachusetts. Eleanor's family endured the Great Depression and she graduated from high school in 1940. During the War years Eleanor volunteered with the USO and worked for the Paul Revere Life Insurance Company of Worcester, Massachusetts. Harold C. Martin swept her off her feet and they were married in 1947.

Eleanor and Harold moved to Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, raised a daughter and a son and lived happily until Harold's passing in 1977. Shortly thereafter Eleanor moved to Corvallis to escape the harsh New England winters and to be near her son who had relocated to Corvallis earlier. Upon arriving in Corvallis, Eleanor worked for Citizen's Bank until her retirement. She was a member of the First Congregational Church. She was a passionate advocate for those afflicted with mental illness. For the past 29 years, Eleanor has thrived in the role of Grandmother as her three grandchildren became the source of joy and fulfillment in her life. She was equally excited to become a Great Grandmother.

She leaves behind her daughter, Marian Nettleton of Salem, her son William C. Martin (Carmen) of Philomath, three grandchildren Courtney Bristol

(Jonathan) of Richland Washington, Stacy Likewise (Vincent) of Albany Oregon, Kevin C. Martin of Philomath Oregon, her great grandson Owen Harold Bristol of Richland Washington and several nieces and nephews. Eleanor is preceded in death by her parents Harold and Marion Klar, her brothers John Klar and Robert Klar, and her husband Harold C. Martin. Eleanor's final resting place will be in the Mountain View Cemetery in Shrewsbury, Massachusetts, next to her husband.