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Ethel Estella Post (Quetschke), 101, of Philomath, passed away Sunday evening at Stoneybrook Assisted Living in Corvallis.

She was born to William and Estella Quetschke on October 26, 1923, on a cold and foggy day typical of that time of year. She was the first of their four children, followed by her brother Vernon in 1925, another brother, Virgil, in 1927, and her sister, Helen, in 1931.

Ethel was raised on the family homestead on Woods Creek Road in Philomath. She attended a one-room schoolhouse as a kid, enjoyed 4-H, and graduated as salutatorian with the Philomath High School Class of 1942.

She met her husband, Melvin Post, at a dance. She and Melvin married on March 23, 1945, at the First United Brethren Church pastor's house while he was on a 30-day leave from the U.S. Navy. Later, she embarked on a cross-country journey with a girlfriend to Charleston, NC, To join Melvin before he deployed in World War II on the USS Reno from 1943 to 1946 as a Seaman First Class.

During this time, Ethel worked at the local post office, which was her only job

outside of babysitting. She went on to raise six children on the Woods Creek Road homestead in Philomath. To preserve this legacy and continue providing timber to the community, the homestead is now a managed property by the family and will be passed down through the generations as a testament to the hard work and history of the Quetschke and Post families.

She is remembered dearly by family and friends as Mom, Ethel or Grandma Post. She was a faithful and God-fearing woman who attended Peace Lutheran Church regularly. She loved word games and rummy, and her kitchen table was always a place of welcome with a pot of hot coffee, hot cocoa for the kids, and a gallon jar of dried apples waiting for whoever walked in. She embodied love, kindness, hard work, and, above all, faithfulness.

She is survived by her six children: Candy Koetz (Jim), Tami Faasse (John), Dianna Benton, Bernadine Foster (John), Delia Post, and Henry Post (Ruth). She is also survived by ten grandchildren and 21 great grandchildren and 2 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, siblings, two son-in-laws (George Benton and Jim Ross) and one grandson Richard Reviea.

Services will take place at 11 a.m. on Saturday, September 6, at Peace Lutheran Church, 2540 Applegate St., Philomath. McHenry Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements. Contributions in Ethel's memory may be made to Peace Lutheran Church.

To learn more about Ethel's life and her reflections on reaching 100, you can read the article written about her 100th birthday celebration here: Ethel Post: A lifetime in Philomath - Philomath News <https://philomathnews.com/ethel-post-a-lifetime-in-philomath/>

Cemetery Details

North Palestine Cemetery

4712 Springhill Road NW
Albany, OR 97321

Previous Events

Funeral Service

SEP 6. 11:00 AM (PT)

Peace Lutheran Church
2540 Applegate St
Philomath, OR 97370

Tribute Wall

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“ Always remember her great attitude as a member of Peace Lutheran in Philomath.

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“ I only knew Ethel through her loving daughter-in-law, Ruth Post. Ruth adjusted her work schedule every week in order to take her iPad over to Ethel's so she could watch church services. I heard fun stories over the years of Ethel's love for her kids, grandkids, and great grandkids. My heart goes out to Ruth, Henry, and your whole family. You loved and cared for here well. May God bless you with the peace and comfort that only He can give in these difficult times.
-Chris Workman

Chris Workman - August 27, 2025 at 12:24 PM