



Gladys Marie Halverson

September 6, 1926 - September 23, 2021

Gladys Marie Halverson, 95 years old, made the journey to be with our Lord and Savior September 23, 2021 in Ashland Oregon at her foster care home. She had been on hospice for several weeks. We are grateful to family and friends who visited during this time.

Gladys was born September 6, 1926 in Verdon Nebraska, to CC (Clayton) and Mildred McVicker. They eventually moved to Payette Idaho where she met James A. Griffin during a bowling game with friends, he was a pin setter, and she threw her bowling ball at the wrong time. It hit him in his leg, forever changing their lives. (They were married for 55 years till he passed June 25, 1997). They lived primarily in northeastern cities of Oregon before moving to the Albany-Corvallis area. (1962-1997).

Gladys met Don E. Halverson, attracted by his humor and his music. They married July 11, 1998 and resided in Albany Oregon where she stayed after his passing in 2010. She moved to Ashland OR in 2018 to be closer to son Jim and family.

She loved to cook and that became her focus after a severe accident disabled her first husband Jim. She started working in local school systems as head cook for the children she grew to love. She also cooked at the Mt Hebo radar station and for many summer camps over the years.

She loved to travel, camp, fish, sew and garden. Her begonias and dalhias were always her favorites and that showed by their size and color. Family gatherings were a highlight and a showplace for her cooking skills. While she

was still able, the Gleaners was a place where she could continue to help and serve others. She also taught Sunday and bible schools plus was a prayer warrior for many.

She was active in her church for many years and even when she could not attend, she maintained her faith and closeness to Jesus.

Gladys is survived by brother Robert (Bob) McVicker (Marion) of Spokane WA. Son Guy Griffin (Joy) of Albuquerque NM, Son James Griffin (Debbie) of Talent OR, Gene Halverson (Connie) of Vancouver WA, Cynthia Cantor (Mike) of Surprise AZ, Craig Halverson (Terry) of Napa ID.

Grand Children: Gene Griffin (Bernice); Jeff Griffin; Kelly Griffin; Robin Bass (Ryan); Elisa Griffin; Amanda Rogers (Bernard); Bonnie Barron (Manuel); Fr. Dan Parrish of Portland OR; Jennifer Parrish of Beaverton OR along with 14 great and 6 great great grandchildren, and many nieces, nephews. All of whom she loved with her whole heart.

She was preceded in death by her parents, first husband James Griffin; second husband Don Halverson, 2 brothers (CC McVicker Jr and Jay McVicker) and 1 sister (Mary Margret Walter).

Service will be Saturday October 30, 2021 at 1pm followed by the reception at 2pm at the Willamette Community Church 420 SE 3rd Ave, Albany OR 97321. All arrangements are in the care of McHenry's funeral home of Corvallis OR. In lieu of flowers contributions may be made in honor of Gladys Halverson to Asante Hospice c/o Asante Foundation 229 N. Bartlett St, Medford OR 97501 Gladys will be laid to rest at the Willamette National Cemetery.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

OCT **30**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Willamette Community Church

420 SE 3rd Ave

Albany, OR 97321

<https://www.wccalbany.com/>

Tribute Wall



“ *McHenry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Gladys Marie Halverson*



McHenry Funeral Home - October 26, 2021 at 01:13 PM