



## Louise Hayden

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Edna Louise Hayden was born on the family farm near Oakville, Oregon. She was the third of four children born to Robert Climson Davis and Mary Evalena Davis. She attended a small one-room schoolhouse and graduated from Shedd High School. While attending Oregon College of Education in Monmouth, she began dating her future husband, Alvin Hayden. They were married December 28, 1947 in a double ceremony with her sister, Dorothy and her husband, Charles Lemmer. They returned to Monmouth to complete their educations.

After one year teaching in Cave Junction, Oregon, the young couple moved to a farm not far from Corvallis where Alvin began his career serving as a teacher and principal for over 30 years. Louise became a homemaker and together with Alvin, raised five children on the farm and later in Corvallis.

The family spent summers camping and fishing in central Oregon, after surviving the first trip with car trouble, bad water and leeches. A favorite location was the back side of Cultus Lake in the high Cascades. Summer was also the time for gardening and canning and freezing fruits and vegetables. Louise grew her own food until just before she died and often shared fresh

vegetables and berries with her friends and neighbors.

Al and Louise epitomized good neighbors, assisting others with home and gardening projects.

They were longtime members of the First Christian Church, serving as deacon and deaconess. Louise also taught Sunday School and enjoyed working with a group of women, creating baby quilts for fundraisers during the arts festivals in town. They celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary in 1997.

Louise is survived by her brother George Davis (Donna), daughters Linda Hayden, Charlene Thompson (Larry), and Beverly Wallace (Robert) and sons Ron Hayden (Doralee), and Leonard Hayden (Darlene). She is also survived by grandchildren: Michael, Jenny, Jeff, Lisa, Anna, Stephanie, Kevin, Aurora and Cooper, and great grandchildren: Brittany, Destany, Darik, Darren, Kelsey and Isabel. Louise was preceded in death by husband Alvin Hayden, grandson Bradley Hayden, and sisters Marjorie Lee (Robert) and Dorothy Lemmer (Charles).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN 27. 2:00 PM (PT)

First Christian Church  
602 SW Madison Ave.  
Corvallis, OR 97333

# Tribute Wall



“ *McHenry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Louise Hayden*



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**McHenry Funeral Home** - June 24, 2016 at 11:56 AM

GB

“ *The Mallon Behrens family has been blessed by Louise and Al for 26 years. They have, at times, been like big brother and big sister, mom and dad, and grandmother and grandfather to our children. Their generosity and kindness to us is immeasurable and their advice and mentoring have been invaluable. A person couldn't ask for better neighbors. Only a loving god could create such wonderful humans.*

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**gerhard behrens** - June 28, 2016 at 10:18 AM

PC

“ *I offer condolences in the name of my aunt and uncle, Fred and Violet Stults, who were across the street neighbors from Al and Louise. I became acquainted with them during my visits from Spokane and enjoyed their company. Thank you to both Al and Louise for their neighborly friendship with Uncle Fred and Auntie Violet.*

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**Pat Crouch** - June 23, 2016 at 10:09 AM

CA

“ Louise will forever be in our hearts and minds. Having been a next door neighbor for 25 years was a privilege and gift to our family. Louise and Al were integral parts of Gabe and Sam's childhoods. Both boys came home from the hospital only to meet Al and Louise within a day. Their kindness, support, generosity of spirit will never be forgotten. I am forever grateful for having the opportunity to know this wonderful woman. RIP sweet Louise.

cindy miller aron - June 17, 2016 at 03:14 PM

CA

“ Cindy Miller Aron lit a candle in memory of Louise Hayden



cindy miller aron - June 17, 2016 at 03:11 PM

MC

Condolences to family and friends of Louise. Hold on to the many memories of your time with her. I know how much they mean as I have been a widow for two years. Friend from many years at First Christian Church in Corvallis. Marie Cole

Marie Cole - June 19, 2016 at 07:58 PM

DC

My thoughts and prayers will be with all of you tomorrow. Unfortunately I will not be able to attend services but will be thinking of how wonderful Aunt Louise was to me after the passing of my Mother, Cora, her sister-in-law. She was truly a wonderful lady whose faith was a joy to see. Diana Petermen Cooper

Diana (Petermen) Cooper - June 26, 2016 at 08:28 PM