



Margaret Hull

February 17, 1919 - February 12, 2012

The family will greet friends at a visitation from 10 a.m. to noon Wednesday, Feb. 15, at McHenry Funeral Home in Corvallis.

A celebration of life will take place at 1 p.m. March 3 at Paradise Springs, 25674 Cherry Creek Road, Monroe, OR 97456.

Margaret Hull of Monroe died on Sunday, Feb. 12, five days short of her 93rd birthday. She died of kidney failure.

Margaret was born to William Illingworth and Margaret Smith Illingworth on Feb. 17, 1919, the youngest of seven children. Her father was killed in a logging accident shortly thereafter; her mother had the two youngest girls put up for adoption. In the 1980s, Margaret was reunited with two of her remaining siblings.

Robert Liddell and Leah Richards Liddell of Portland adopted Margaret when she was a few months old. She grew up in the Laurelhurst district, attended Grant High School, and graduated from business college.

On Aug. 20, 1938, she married Ralph W. Hull, and moved to Dawson Road in Monroe, where she resided for nearly 74 years. She and her husband built Hull-Oakes Lumber Company, where she worked in the office for 20 years. During World War II, she worked in the mill, off bearing behind the cut-off saw. She even hauled dynamite on her horse when the crew needed it in the mountains.

In her younger years, she was a Girl Scout. She loved riding her horse, and enjoyed ballroom dancing, winning many trophies. She bowled on leagues for

several years. She loved playing contract bridge, entering numerous tournaments and achieving her master certificate in 2000. She took up investing in the 1950s, and had been doing that ever since. In 1999, Margaret was honored to be the grand marshal of the Monroe Summer Celebration Parade.

She was well known in the community for her giving spirit. She started the Margaret E. Hull Scholarship Fund for Monroe High School and Santiam Christian Schools in Corvallis.

She greatly contributed to local organizations, churches and causes in south Benton County and neighboring areas. She helped support Dr. Ben Roberts Eye Projects at Tenwek Hospital in Kenya, Africa, and the eye projects on board the African Mercy Ships.

Survivors include a daughter, Janet Putney of Prineville; a son, Herbert Hull of Monroe; six grandchildren, Janelle James, Todd Nystrom and Nancy Hull, all of Monroe, Amy Hull of Bend, Carrie Turner of Scottsdale, Ariz., and Guy Standefer of North Platte, Neb.; seven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-granddaughters.

She was preceded in death by a granddaughter, Brandy Standefer Oakes. A private burial will take place at Bellfountain Cemetery.

Remembrances can be sent to Sacred Heart Hospice, 677 E. 12th Ave., Suite No. N110, Eugene, OR 97401; or the Monroe Fire Department, P.O. Box 411, Monroe, OR 97456.