



Margery Eileen Gilstrap

September 30, 1929 - November 19, 2020

On Thursday, November 19, 2020, Margery Eileen (Templeton) Gilstrap passed away peacefully at the age of 91.

Margery was born September 30, 1929, in Ash Grove, Illinois to Roy and Edna (Robison) Templeton. Margery was the youngest of five children. Margery received her nursing degree from Julia F Burnham School of Nursing at Champaign, Illinois in 1950. On May 16, 1953, she married Eugene Franklin Gilstrap Jr. at Ash Grove Christian Church in Windsor, Illinois. They moved to Portland, Oregon right after their wedding. In 1956 they moved to Salem where their four children were born. In 1972 the family moved to Corvallis and Margery lived there for 46 years until January of 2018 when she moved to The Village of Keizer Ridge Assisted Living.

Margery was very involved in her church both in Salem and Corvallis. She loved spending time in her yard while visiting with her wonderful neighbors. Many family trips were made over the years traveling to Illinois to visit her relatives. Family was everything to Margery. She especially loved spending time with her grandchildren. Fond memories with them include picking fruits and vegetables from her garden and hosting the annual sleepover after Christmas.

Margery is preceded in death by her husband Eugene F. Gilstrap Jr. She is

survived by her four children and spouses Gary Gilstrap (Claudia), Linda Ruggles (Tom), D'Ann Evers (Terry), and Brian Gilstrap (Beth). Grandchildren - Brittany (Gilstrap) Bont, Kelsey (Evers) Allen, Mallory Gilstrap, Kendall Ruggles, Tommy Ruggles, McKenzie Evers, Sarah Gilstrap, and Abigail Gilstrap, and great-grandkids- Kylee, Blaine, and Brayden Bont.

A graveside service will be held at Oak Lawn Memorial Park in Corvallis, Oregon on December 5th at 10 am. Due to COVID, space is limited. We ask that all attendees all wear masks. Contributions to the Alzheimer's Association can be made in Margery's name.

Cemetery Details

Oak Lawn Cemetery

2245 SW Whiteside Drive
Corvallis, OR 97333
(541) 753-4532

Previous Events

Graveside Service

DEC 5. 10:00 AM - 10:45 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ So sorry to hear of Marge's passing. She and Gene were wonderful neighbors while I was growing up in Salem across the street from the Gilsraps and Swartsleys. I babysat for all the kids. I remained friends with Marge after she relocated to Corvallis when my husband and I also moved to Corvallis. Bernadette Stone-Barrett

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