



## Marie Davis

April 21, 1924 - June 19, 2016

Ellen "Marie" (Ayers) Davis passed away on June 19, 2016 . She was born April 21, 1924 to Grover and Edith (Greig) Ayers in Kings Valley, Oregon.

Marie married Willard Davis on April 25, 1941; they were married 62 years when Willard passed away in 2003.

Marie drove the Blodgett School bus and was a custodian for the Blodgett School for 17 years. She helped publish a Blodgett Newspaper. Marie worked at the Vosberg's General Store in Blodgett for three years.

Marie and Willard were Co-Managers of the Benton County Fair from 1970 to 1985 along with Willard's parents Rollie and Edith Davis.

Marie was an avid bowler including leagues and many tournaments across the USA. She coached the junior bowlers for 20 years, was secretary of many leagues for 25 years. She is a past President and director of the Corvallis Women's Bowling Association, along with being in the CWBA Hall of Fame. After she stopped bowling she enjoyed watching her children, grandchildren and even some great grandchildren bowl and play softball.

Marie was a leader for many 4-H clubs in the Blodgett area. She loved going to the casino.

Marie was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Willard in 2003. Her son Grover in 2011, her brothers Lawrence and Melvin Ayers, and her sister Helen Warfield.

She is survived by sons Jerry (Mary Jean) of Burnt Woods, Ted of Alsea, Jim (Evelyn) of Grand Junction, Colorado and daughter Patsy (Larry) Hendricks of Philomath, 19 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren and 15 great-great grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Friday, June 24th, at the Philomath College United Methodist Church on 1123 Main Street at 1 PM. Followed by a potluck at the Philomath City Park at 2 PM Please bring your own chairs.

In lieu of flowers please make donations to the Junior Bowling Program in care of Patsy Hendricks, 22550 Wells Creek Road, Philomath, OR 97370.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JUN **24.** 1:00 PM (PT)

College United Methodist Church  
1123 Main St.  
Philomath, OR 97370

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The world lost a special lady the day Marie passed. I loved her strength. She was a positive energetic lady who loved life to the fullest, until she lost the love of her life, her husband Willard. She missed him very much. Her family was very important to her and did a lot in supporting each and everyone of her children and grandchildren in all the many sports events. She was one of a kind. She touched the lives of many and will be missed very much. Marie, may you RIP. I love you girl.*  
*Pegge Gee*

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**Pegge Gee** - June 24, 2016 at 11:50 AM



“ *Marie took care of more than just the school janitor job at Blodgett Grade School, she watched out for the kids too! She respected us and for one, I felt she really cared if I did good or not...she made a difference in lives. Her children are blessed to have had her for their mother and that makes it a BIT easier, but loss is loss no matter what. She deserved to go on to the next step of her journey and personally am very happy for her. Thank you Marie, Naomi Davis Jacks*

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**Naomi Jacks** - June 23, 2016 at 06:19 PM

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“ *The Directors and Employees of Pioneer Telephone Cooperative have fond memories of Marie. Willard and Marie were always strong supporters of the Cooperative. We still remember Marie supervising the baking contests at Pioneer's annual meetings several years ago. While Willard was Board President, they attended National Telecom Cooperative Association meetings to keep up with a rapidly changing industry. They are both greatly missed.*

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**Randy Morgan** - June 23, 2016 at 04:38 PM

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“ I loved marie, she took us camping in eugene at johnsons bean yard and made sure we worked, she was always cheery and up beat!! She went swimming with us down at our swimming hole below the trestle, she was such a good sport, and she made great biscuits! Rip Marie, i love you

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**sandy davis** - June 23, 2016 at 03:35 PM

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“ I loved Marie, she coached me about covering a ten pin, I can always hear her talking to me when I leave one, which is a lot! Her memory will be with me.

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**Jeri JohnsonReith** - June 22, 2016 at 08:43 PM