



## Mary Lawrence

June 15, 1921 - May 16, 2012

Mary Louise Weaver Lawrence (Louie), 90, longtime Corvallis resident and beloved sister, mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, peacefully passed away on the afternoon of May 16, surrounded by family and friends, so she may dance in heaven with her true love and husband of 58 years, Lynn.

She lived a full and wonderful life that was a blessing to all who knew her. She lived with the enthusiasm of a playful child, yet with immeasurable wisdom.

She could make any occasion a special one, simply by being there.

Louie was always there for her family. She would often stay up all night long just to make sure every holiday was as special as it could be for her children.

She was born June 15, 1921, in Preston, Idaho, to Earl and Jenny Weaver, and lived in a farmhouse that held so many wonderful memories.

In her youth, she was quite an equestrian, and loved to ride her horse, Whimpy, as fast as he would go without a saddle, using her legs to steer him.

Louie was a crossword puzzle whiz. She loved to read, and was always reviewing some interesting book for a book club of which she was a member for 45 years. She also sang in the Town Choir for many years.

She was very talented at handweaving beautiful wool rugs like the one we all grew up playing on in the living room that she helped her mother, Jenny, make, which took thousands of hours to complete.

She worked for the Corvallis School District for many years while raising five children.

She is survived by her brother, Earl of Salt Lake City, Utah; her sister, Jenalee of Corvallis; three children, son Rick of Junction City, daughter Kinnie of Bend, and son Brad of Pullman, Wash.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Lynn; two sisters, Kinnie and Virginia; and two sons, Dugan and Steven.

Please join us in celebrating Louie's life from 2 to 4 p.m. Sunday, June 24, at Avery Park.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating memorial contributions to the Corvallis-Benton County Public Library Foundation or the Corvallis Music Association.