



Patricia Ravae Clark

January 24, 1928 - February 18, 2014

Patricia Clark passed away of a heart attack on Feb. 18, 2014. She was 86.

Pat was born Jan. 24, 1928, in Eugene, the youngest of four children of Milo and Mary Smith of Leaburg. Leaburg was home for her first 16 years, and she always loved animals and the outdoors.

Pat went to Springfield High School for two years, and then in 1944 her parents bought a farm on Beaver Creek Road south of Corvallis where she lived for most of the rest of her life. She graduated from Corvallis High, and then began to pursue her lifelong love of horses. She married Bob Clark in 1958, but they divorced in 1976.

In her mid-30s she survived uterine cancer and 20 years later, ovarian cancer. Then, after retiring from the Forest Service, she was stricken with Guillane-Barre Syndrome, which left her in a wheelchair for the last 20 years of her life. It did not stop her from living the life she loved.

She enjoyed gardening, making candy, writing poetry, and raising quarter horses and Ponies of America. The Benton County Fair was one of her passions, and she won countless ribbons over the years. She was active in the Philomath Buckaroos and the Frolic, the Corvallis Trail Riders, the Willamette Valley Pony Club, the Beaver Creek Community Club and Peace

Lutheran Church of Philomath.

She is survived by brother Harold Smith of Sandy; nephew Mark Parmenter of Aurora, Colo.; nieces Pamela Lanning (David) of Springfield and Tracey Snyder (Denny) of Salem; along with six great-nephews, one great-niece and four great-great-nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brother Kenneth, who was lost at sea in World War II; and sister Pauline Parmenter.

A funeral will be at 11 a.m. Friday, Feb. 28, at Peace Lutheran Church in Philomath, with viewing at the church from 9 to 10:30 a.m. and a graveside service at 2:30 p.m. Burial will be at Twin Oaks Cemetery in Albany.

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