



## Ruth Christine Woodard

April 25, 1934 - April 11, 2013

Ruth C. Woodard, 78, of Albany, formerly of Philomath, died Thursday, April 11.

She was born in Humboldt, Neb., to Mae and Edward Mitchell. When Ruth was 7, the family moved to Oregon, where she attended early school at Delight Valley near Cottage Grove, and high school in Salem.

Ruth was a homemaker and worked various jobs. She married Roy K. Woodard during the start of the Korean War. Ruth was a restaurant hostess in Corvallis for many years, worked at IGA in Philomath in the 1960s and 1970s, and owned the Philomath Dairy Queen in the early '70s. Ruth loved life and traveling. She and Roy did get to see much of the United States and Canada in their travels.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband, Roy, in 1987; a brother, Ed Mitchell; a sister, Elizabeth Eros; and a daughter, Cheryl Woodward England.

She is survived by two sons, Curt Woodard of Anchorage, Alaska, and Chris Woodard of Albany; two daughters, Tina Foster and Judi Nelson; two grandsons, Frank (and Bonelle) Woodard, and Dustin (and Jenn Wall) Woodard; and four great-grandchildren, Abby, Dawson, Salone and Dakota.

Ruth will be missed by many of her friends. She says “Goodbye, and please make this a safer world.” A big shout-out goes to New Horizons In-Home Care, Samaritan Evergreen Hospice and Samaritan Albany General Hospital. Thank you; she will miss you all.