



Shirley Marie Picton

September 22, 1931 - June 22, 2013

Shirley M. Picton, 81, died Saturday, June 22, 2013, at her home in Corvallis.

Shirley was born in Allentown, Pa., to Pauline and John Jones.

In 1952, she married Russell Picton of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where they lived until 1960, when they moved to Virginia. They then moved to South Carolina, and finally to Oregon. During the years in Virginia and South Carolina, Shirley was active in the March of Dimes and the Adult Literacy programs.

Shirley was an avid reader, solver of puzzles and lover of animals of all sorts, which rubbed off on her youngest son, Jeff, who helped found Chintimini Wildlife Center in Corvallis. Shirley was instrumental in the creation of Chintimini through her endless love and support of her son and the wildlife they helped save.

A son, Russell John Picton, preceded her in death in 1992. She is survived by her husband, Russ; son, Jeff; grandson, Logan; a brother, Thomas Jones; sister-in-law, Jane Jones; and numerous nieces and nephews. She also is survived by her beloved dog, Kenzie.

A celebration of Shirley's life will take place in the fall.

Memorials in lieu of flowers can be made to Chintimini Wildlife Center. Gifts will be used to help establish the Shirley Picton Memorial Wildlife Garden at Chintimini.

Tribute Wall



“ *I am so sorry for your loss.*
Kerry Watkins

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