



Stella Eagleson

January 29, 1929 - June 7, 2012

Stella Eagleson of Eddyville died Thursday.

Stella was born on Jan. 29, 1929, in Toledo to Harrison and Gertrude Gilmore, the seventh in a family of 11 children. She graduated as valedictorian of her class at Toledo High School. She then married Ralph Eagleson of Eddyville. They made their home in Eddyville, and raised their four children on their farm there.

When their youngest child left for college, Stella began a 19-year career as a library aide at Eddyville School. Due to her outstanding volunteer work there after her retirement, the library was named the Stella Gilmore Eagleson Library.

Stella also enjoyed traveling. She traveled to Chile, Ecuador and Colombia in 1981 to meet a child they sponsored through World Vision and visit family friends there. She also visited many places in the United States with her husband, Ralph, for his U.S. Marine Corps reunions.

Stella was a member of Eddyville Community Church for 60 years, and the local women's club for many years. She enjoyed gardening, cooking, canning and emailing, and opened a Facebook page before any of her children did! Stella was able to spend her last days surrounded by her loving family. She will be greatly missed.

Survivors include her husband, Ralph Eagleson of Eddyville; daughter Mary Humphrey of Goldendale, Wash.; son Dan Eagleson of Keizer; daughter Julie Eagleson of Troutdale; brothers and sisters Lewis Gilmore, Edna Harrington,

Ada Loomis, Betty Smith, Trudy Cain, Elsie Gibson and Edson Gilmore; grandchildren Staci Humphrey, Marisa Humphrey, Patricia Humphrey, Jessica Humphrey, Brad Eagleson and Megan Eagleson; and great-grandchildren Eli Hacker and Jasper Boutte.

She was preceded in death by son Steven Eagleson; brother Harrison Gilmore; sister Jackie Robeson; and sister Myrtle Chavarria.

A graveside service will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, June 16, at the Eddyville Cemetery, followed by a get-together of family and friends from 2 to 4 p.m. at Eddyville Community Church. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to My Father's House, a community shelter, at P.O. Box 1147, Gresham, OR 97030.