



Verla J. Bushnell

December 29, 1926 - May 23, 2015

Verla Jeanne Bushnell
12/29/1926 – 5/23/2015

Verla J. Bushnell, 88 died Saturday, May 23rd at her home in Corvallis. She was born December 29, 1926 to Olaf and Dorothy McCollum Nelsen. Verla married Harold Howard Bushnell on July 19, 1944. The couple had three children Lloyd, Linda and Roger.

Verla was a homemaker. And began her working career as a clerk at Montgomery Ward. She worked for 26 years as the Veteran's Service Officer for Benton County, serving veterans from World War I, World War II, the Korean War and Vietnam. She was very community service minded. For 20 years she was a volunteer Board Member for the Selective Service. She was also a member of the American Legion and The Daughters of Norway. She volunteered for the TB and Health Association, and the March of Dimes. She was also a member of Zonta. She served as a volunteer on the Benton County Board of Commissioners for 25 years from 1966 to 1991. She was a blue-ribbon quilter. Family and friends alike cherish quilts made by her hand and received as wedding gifts, baby gifts and gifts for many other occasions. She was an avid reader and an excellent cook, baking and canning food for her family. Verla will be remembered for her kindness and generosity, by people from her work life, family and friends.

Verla was preceded in death by her beloved husband of 65 years, Harold H. Bushnell; her son Roger who died at the age of 11 in 1960 and her parents. She is survived by her son Lloyd; her daughter and son in law Linda and Sidney Spear; grandchildren Deanne, Michelle, Jeff, Wyatt and Austin; great grandchildren Stacy, Nick and Alex and her sister Colleen Dotta.

Memorial donations in Verla's name may be directed to the Heartland Humane Society or the American Lung Association in care of McHenry Funeral Home 206 NW 5th St., Corvallis, OR 97330. A funeral service is planned for 11:00 am, Monday June 1st at McHenry Funeral Home. The casket will be open from 9:00 to 11:00 before the service. A graveside committal will follow at Gilliland Cemetery in Sweet Home.

Tribute Wall



“ *McHenry Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Verla J. Bushnell*



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“ *Lloyd and Linda,
My thoughts and prayers are with you with the loss of your mom.
Bruce Dunlap*

Bruce Dunlap - June 04, 2015 at 12:37 PM