



Verna Kerby

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Verna Kerby, 86, died peacefully on Jan. 11 at her home in Corvallis. She was born July 6, 1925, in Beatrice, Neb., to Clifford and Agnes Freeman Quackenbush. She was a descendant of the first homesteader, Daniel Freeman, and they lived on the homestead property before they sold it to the State of Nebraska, which allowed them to move to the Ashland area in 1938. The property in Nebraska later became the Homestead National Monument of America.

Verna married Don Kerby in 1946, and they had two sons. They moved to Corvallis in 1956. They later divorced. Verna worked in the Philomath High School office for many years before retiring in the late 1980s. She loved walking, and keeping a beautiful yard.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her oldest son, Larry; and her siblings, Charlie, Richard, Jimmy, Eleanor and Peggy.

Surviving is her son, David, and his wife, Barb, of Corvallis.

At the family's request, there will be no service. Memorial donations can be made to Benton Hospice Service in care of McHenry Funeral Home 206 NW 5th St., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I was just thinking of Mrs. Kerby earlier this week. She was such a joy to see daily in the office.
Sorry to hear of her passing but it sounds as if she lived a very full life.*

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