



## Birdie Jeanette Smaaland

April 18, 1923 - March 25, 2017

Birdie Jeanette Smaaland April 18, 1923 ~ March 25, 2017 Birdie Jeanette Smaaland, 93, of Gresham, OR passed away on March 25, 2017. She was born in Rugh Township, ND on April 18, 1923, to Sam and Thora Bjugson. Birdie lived in Aneta, ND and the Gresham, Portland, OR areas most of her life. She married Elvin H. Smaaland on November 4, 1949. Birdie enjoyed baking, crocheting and other crafts as well as family gatherings. She was good to everyone and that's why everyone loved her. She will be greatly missed by many. She attended Sundahl Lutheran Church in Aneta, ND. Birdie is survived by her sons, Allyn and Randy Smaaland; daughters, Doris Swenson and Nadine Smaaland; son-in-law, Steve Swenson; and one grand child, Karla Swenson. She was preceded in death by her husband, Elvin in 1981, and brothers, Ray and Ordean. There will be a funeral service for Birdie on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, 1101 NE 112th Ave., Vancouver, WA 98684, followed by a reception in the hospitality room. In lieu of flowers, the family requests contributions made to Hospice Care.

# Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 09:41 PM

KR

“ I am such a luck girl to have had Birdie as my "Mom" too. I remember taking her to the Turkey BBQ and everyone she introduced me to said " Birdie makes the best Lefsa in the County!" I have heard her donuts were pretty good too. Rest In Peace sweet Birdie. The world was a much better place because you were here. I am a better person because you loved me like your own. I miss you mom, and I will miss you forever.

Kathy Robinson - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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Kathy Robinson - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ So sorry to hear about your mom. I know she was a joy to be with. Hugs and prayers to each of the family members.

Terinne Berg - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ My deepest condolences to your family. My mother RoseMary (Smaaladen) Ostenson from Aneta and lived and farmed in Sharon, just passed March 18th this year. Oh, what a reunion they will have with friends and family.

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**Diane Williams** - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

KJ

“ I have so many wonderful memories of Birdie. Jayne and I were just talking about her the other day. Sympathy, love and prayers to each one of you.

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**Kay (Bichler) James** - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PH

“ I has such fond memories of Birdie coming into the 7-11 for years. She was always a bright spot of my day. I see so much wonderful attributes of Birdie in you Nadine. What a true blessing. Heaven got a little sweeter. He children were Blessed "Indeed" !!! Proverbs 31:28 ;)

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**Pam Hurt** - March 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM

MA

“ I feel so fortunate to have known and loved Birdie all of my life. She was a wonderful role model and loyal friend. My condolences to her family. God bless you all.

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**Marly Antonoplos** - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ She was a great addition to Aneta, always doing more then her share. we missed her when she left here.

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**Joanne Johnson** - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ *Sending hugs to Birdies family. I know she will be missed. What a kind lady.* ”

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**Phyllis Peterson** - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

WL

“ *We remember Birdie as a sweet loving lady. We will always remember her in our heart.* ”

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**Wayne & Marsha Longanecker** - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM

GZ

“ *Such a lovely lady! Thoughts and prayers to the family.* ”

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**Gary Zollman** - March 29, 2017 at 12:00 AM