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Recognizing that many will share our deep sense of loss, we announce the passing of Elsa Guinett (Anderson) into the nearer presence of her beloved Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Left behind for a time are her devoted husband of 62 years, Louis Guinett; and her children, Renae Christine Kuhn (Bob), Tracy Lee Guinett (Cindy) and Debra Roxanne Paull (Gregg); as well as nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren, all of whom share her legacy of faith. She is also survived by her three older brothers, Erle, Milford and Curtis Anderson, having been predeceased by a baby sister who died at birth. Born in Powers Lake, North Dakota, Elsa and her family moved several times before settling in Vancouver, Washington, in 1945. After meeting on a blind date in 1949, she married Louis on April 28, 1950. Together they embarked on a lifelong adventure. This included starting what became the award-winning stone masonry firm, Louis Guinett Masonry, well known throughout the Pacific Northwest for its "Artistry in Stone". Elsa worked tirelessly alongside Louis by managing all aspects of the office until they both retired in 1993. For the next 20 years they experienced a honeymoon retirement, traveling and cruising throughout the world. Besides being a full-time mother dedicated to the well-being and success of her children, Elsa worked in numerous local Christian ministries of encouragement. She impacted hundreds of women through a leading of Bible studies over a 25 year span. As well, she especially enjoyed working with babies. This led her to make a 20 year commitment to

handwriting over 1000 individualized letters of encouragement and reassurance to mothers who had lost their infants. Elsa loved being with her family and friends as much as they loved being with her. Whether playing with her great-grandchildren, cheering on her grandchildren or supporting her children in their various endeavors, she was a woman with a passionate dedication to those she loved. It was evident to everyone Elsa met that her Christian faith was central in her life. She lived with a deep and abiding assurance that Jesus resided in her heart, giving her the strength to deal with not only the challenges of living, but also her final hours with confidence that she was going "home". Surely she will be greeted in heaven by the exclamation, "Well done, my good and faithful servant". Elsa's life will be celebrated at a service to take place at 3 PM on Sunday, January 20, at Glenwood Community Church located at 12201 NE 72nd Avenue, Vancouver, WA. A reception will follow at the church.

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