



Hazel Marie Upham

September 20, 1922 - January 8, 2012

HAZEL MARIE UPHAM September 20, 1922 ~ January 8, 2012 Hazel Marie Upham was born on September 20, 1922, in Crawfordsville, Indiana. She passed away January 8, 2012, at the age of 89. She grew up on a 400-acre farm in Indiana with two sisters and one brother where she learned the value of hard work. She went to college at the Indiana State Teachers College and taught kindergarten in various locations including Florida, Molokai and Tacoma. Hazel married John Upham on November 14, 1952, with their marriage lasting 52 years until John passed away in 2004. She lived most of her life in Tacoma and moved to Vancouver in 2000. Hazel is survived by two children, Pamela Griffith and William Upham; five grandchildren; three great-grandchildren; and three step-great-grandchildren. Hazel was an excellent homemaker and enjoyed taking care of her family. She enjoyed cooking and housekeeping, reading, shopping, watching sporting events-particularly the Seattle Seahawks and the Tacoma Stars-gardening, hiking and being out in nature. Hazel also enjoyed traveling with John, and they traveled many places including visits to islands in the South Pacific, Hawaii, Mexico, New Brunswick, the Caribbean Islands and England. A private family memorial service was held at St Luke's Church in Tacoma, Washington on January 23, 2012.