



Helen Evangline Bales

August 22, 1917 - May 5, 2011

HELEN BALES August 22, 1917 ~ May 5, 2011 Helen Bales of Vancouver, WA, passed away on May 5, 2011. She was born to Dave and Verna Hinshaw on Aug. 22, 1917 in Bemidji, MN. She graduated from the original Vancouver High School in 1936 and chaired many reunions over the years. She worked at Woolworth's for several years. Helen was a 4-H club leader and a Rainbow Mother Advisor. She was an avid reader, a letter writer, and a music lover. She enjoyed playing pinochle and watching sports, especially baseball. Helen was a great gardener, growing both vegetables and flowers. She was an excellent cook and hostess. Helen was an Eastern Star and her husband Vance was a Mason. They attended Cascades Presbyterian Church. They enjoyed traveling in their RV throughout the U.S. The family thanks the staff and friends at Vancouver Rehab for their loving care of Helen. She was the beloved mother of Dorothy (Jim) Stow of Federal Way, WA, Nancy (Dan) Swann of Vancouver, WA, and David (Judy) Bales of Klamath Falls, OR. She was blessed with five granddaughters, Lynn, Loriann, Katherine, Mary and Lydia; and twin great-grandsons, Lucas and Oliver. She will be missed by dear sister-in-law, Mary DeLashmutt; special cousin, Marie Nelson; and loyal friend, Doug Allinger. Helen was preceded in death by her parents; husband, Vance Bales and brother, Ken Hinshaw. Viewing will be noon to 9:00 p.m., Thurs., May 12 and 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., Fri., May 13. There will be a graveside service at 12:30 p.m., Sat., May 14 with a light lunch to follow. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Shriner's Hospital for children.

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