



Laurel May Wiley

May 6, 1926 - May 19, 2011

LAUREL MAY WILEY May 6, 1926 ~ May 19, 2011 ~ In Loving Memory ~
"The meek shall inherit the earth." This statement made by Jesus sums up Laurel Wiley's character as it refers to those with a spirit that is free of vanity, who are willing and obedient to God's leading, and are humble and patient in affliction. It is seen as strength; not weakness. Laurel ordered her life with her commitment to God and her faith first, followed by family and friends. Her life's mission was to be the champion of anyone in an underdog or downtrodden position. She went home to be with her Lord on May 19th, 2011. The daughter of Walter Hess and Edith Albin, Laurel was born in the small town of Wahpeton, ND on May 6th, 1926. In her youth she learned the value of hard work and making do with very little. Laurel went on to attend technical college while in high school and found work during the war in Washington D.C. After returning briefly to Wahpeton, she moved to the Portland, OR area and worked for KWJJ radio and Oregon Marine Supply. It was at Oregon Marine that she met Grant Wiley, married and started her family in Portland, OR, moving to the Ridgefield, WA area in the early 1970's. After over twenty years as a stay-at-home mom, Laurel started her second career with the SW WA Health Department where she served as a home health nurse and assisted parents and children in the Well Child Clinic. During these years, she served others tirelessly and considered her clients her friends. Retirement did not slow her down as she enjoyed volunteering at New Heights Church, the "I Have a Dream Foundation" of SW Washington, and numerous other

ministries. Laurel is survived by her children: Kathi Wiley-Gladson, Howard Wiley, Margaret Wiley, and Fred Wiley; six grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren; all of whom she loved dearly. A memorial celebration of this life well lived will be held June 1st, 2011 at 1:00 p.m. on the Main Campus of New Heights Church. In lieu of flowers, Laurel requests you make donations to the "I Have a Dream Foundation" of SW Washington or Blanket Coverage Ministry of Portland, OR.

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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 09:56 PM

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“ *Laurel was such a dear friend. She always had time for a hug. I'll always remember her positive and loving personality. She always remembered my birthday*

Rita Nellis - June 02, 2011 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sorry to hear of Laurel's passing. What a great person! She sent birthday cards every year to me and many others. What a generous and great spirit.*

carl addy - May 26, 2011 at 12:00 AM