



Louise Elizabeth Hanson

November 19, 1908 - October 27, 2010

"Louise "Grandma", will be dearly missed by all of her family and friends." Louise "Grandma" Hanson, died in Vancouver, WA after a short illness, just a few days short of 102 years of age after living a long active and grateful life. She was born in Bishop Auklund, England on Nov. 19, 1908 and her family moved to America when she was one year old. She was the youngest of three children. Louise and Ralph Hanson met as neighbors in Tacoma and were high school mates and soon fell in love. They were married in Oct. 1930 in Tacoma and had two sons, Larry and Neal. They lived their entire lives in the Pacific Northwest: Tacoma, Seattle, Bellingham, Long Beach, Eugene, Sequim, and finally settled in Vancouver in 1980 to be close to their two sons. They shared a long, active and happy life of 57 years until Ralph died of emphysema in 1987 and later their son, Larry, died in 2003. Louise lived her last five years at The Waterford Retirement Facility at Fairway Village and made many friends there. The staff got to know Louise so well, that many of the caretakers called her "Grandma." Her own grandchildren and great-grandchildren visited often. "She was always happy, upbeat and excited to entertain them with cookie treats and letting them play on her special lift chair." The highlight of the last few years was her 100th Birthday party at which practically all of her family and friends joined to celebrate her enthusiasm for life with balloons and chocolate cake. Louise is survived by her son, Neal and his wife Claudia; twelve grandchildren; 26 great-grandchildren; one great-great-grandchild; and many close friends.

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