



Martha E. Kays

May 6, 1920 - September 2, 2009

Martha "Esther" Kays May 6, 1920 - Sept. 2, 2009 Esther passed away at age 89 at the Ray Hickey House in Vancouver, Washington. She died of complications from a recent fall and subsequent pneumonia. Born in Salem Oregon to James and Dollie Bevens, Esther was the youngest of her sisters Vera and Lola and brother Wes, all now deceased. She married Clyde Moore (deceased) in 1937 and had two children, Ron and Janet (deceased). In 1980 she married Clifford Kays who passed away in 1988. Fred Lindsey was her partner for a number of years passed away in 2008. She leaves behind three grand daughters, Christy Schmidt, Kara Prescott, Paula Dickens, two grandsons, Brian Plaisted, Tom Phillips, her nephew Jim Bevens and son-in-law Dennis Phillips. She has six great grand children and one great-great grandchild. For the last 60 plus years Esther has lived in Hazel Dell Wa. in the house built by her husband Clyde Moore. She had long careers as the manager of the Totem Pole restaurant in Hazel Dell and a cook at Columbia River High School. Throughout her life she accompanied her husband on fishing, hunting and camping trips throughout Oregon, Washington and Alaska. This experience clearly led to her lifelong love for cooking, canning, and tending to her formidable vegetable gardens, all of which she happily shared with her family and friends. For 60 years her home was the gathering spot for all of life's celebrations. She personified those virtues of a devoted wife, mother, grandparent and caregiver. A private graveside service will be held for the family. Memorial contributions can be made to ... Ray Hickey

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