



Mary Lee Pappenfus

March 10, 1922 - May 9, 2012

MARY LEE PAPPENFUS March 10, 1922 ~ May 9, 2012 Mary Lee Pappenfus, 90, of Vancouver, WA, passed away on May 9, 2012. She was born in Oilton, OK on March 10, 1922 where she grew up on the family farm. She had a milk route at the young age of 5. Through her school years she enjoyed singing and performing in plays. Amongst her musical talents, she was self-taught on the piano, organ and auto harp. One of her cherished versus honors her and her mother: 'Richer than I you will never be, for I had a mother who sang to me.' A blind date with Stanley "Bill" Pappenfus developed into a marriage of 67 years. Their home became a family gathering place where everyone enjoyed Mary's wonderful cooking, good humor and complimentary nature. Mary is survived by her three daughters, Dorette and Ed Rakoz of Vancouver, Billie and Art Choat of Bellingham, WA and Nancy and Scott Hakala of Bend, OR; six grandchildren; and 11 great-grandchildren. Bill predeceased her in 2007. Mary lived at the Hampton Memory Care where she talked her way into everyone's heart. Our mother received excellent care from the devoted Hampton team, but her dearest caregiver, Linda, was her special angel. Mary will be honored with a private graveside service at Evergreen Memorial Gardens. In lieu of flowers, perhaps consider a memorial contribution to Community Home Health and Hospice or Second Chance Companions.

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