



Pearl Julia Irion

August 26, 1920 - December 20, 2010

Pearl Julia Irion, 90, passed away December 20th at her home in Vancouver, Washington. She was born in Shedd, Oregon to George and Bertha Gould. Pearl married James Irion in 1942 while he was serving in the U.S. Marine Corp and stationed in Astoria, Oregon. After James returned from the war they moved to his home state of Ohio. In 1951 they moved to Vancouver with their 3 children. She is survived by her daughter, Neva Beachell; sons, James Irion and Mike Irion; son-in-law, Rodney Beachell; daughter-in-law, Donna Irion; four grandchildren; and 5 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, James Irion; her daughter, Janet Irion; and her granddaughter, Dotsie Jane Irion. Pearl worked for the VA Hospital in Vancouver as a surgical nurse until her retirement in 1977. Even though she retired early for health reasons she couldn't be slowed down. Pearl was a fixer. If she saw someone who needed help she'd be the first to respond. Always caring, always giving. She was instrumental in establishing the F.I.S.H. of Orchards (Friends in Service to Humanity) in 1978 where she served as president for 6 years. In the beginning donations did not meet the need so, Pearl paid for food herself to keep the shelves stocked and feed the hungry. In 1984 she also helped with Cheer Cupboard Food Bank at her church, and served with the Clark County Food Coalition. Pearl was recognized several times for her giving spirit. While working at the VA Hospital she received two Superior Service Awards. As a volunteer in 1983 Pearl received the JACS Award (Joint Action in Community Service) and she received the Outstanding

Volunteer Award from F.I.S.H. of Orchards in 1995. She was honored with the Burt Bacarach Volunteer of the Year Award in 2000. She was also a member of the Order of Eastern Star. Pearl was known for her kindness to all, her never ending spirit, and unconditional love to family and friends. She will be deeply missed.

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