



Jean Uhler

February 26, 1922 - December 14, 2010

Jean Uhler of Corvallis passed away on Tuesday, Dec. 14, 2010.

She was born in Nashua, N.H., to Jacob and Dora Rothenberg, one of six children. After graduating from high school, she moved to Denver, Colo., in order to "see more of the world," and later moved to Washington, D.C., where she worked for various government agencies.

She met Marcus Uhler in Washington, where they married in 1952. They were the parents of four children: Caryl, Stephen and Laura; and Dwight, who died at the age of 2. Jean and Marcus lived in San Diego, Calif., before moving to Pittsburgh, Pa., where they spent the next 30 years of their married life.

Jean led a life dedicated to learning, political activism and volunteerism. She was passionate about gardening, and each year created her garden anew with different combinations of flowers she propagated from seed at her home. Jean was a docent for the Phipps Botanical Society, and traveled to see many well-known gardens. Jean loved to camp and hike with her family. Jean and Marcus moved to Corvallis in 1996 to live near their two daughters. Jean was a volunteer for many organizations, and became a Master Gardener after having moved here. Jean was an avid reader all of her life, organizing a new book club in Corvallis, as she had done in Pittsburgh.

Jean was preceded in death by Marcus in 2005, after 53 years of marriage. She is survived by Laura Uhler and Caryl Uhler of Corvallis; her son, Stephen Uhler of Los Altos, Calif.; her five grandchildren, Erica and Christopher Liebert, Lynn Hector, and Richard and Jessie Uhler; her sons-in-law, Paul Liebert and Keith Martin; and her four sisters, Ruth, Betty, Evie and JoAnn.

Jean will be remembered for her optimistic approach to life, for her love of family and friends, and commitment to contribution.

A memorial service to celebrate Jean's life will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16, at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Corvallis.