



Evelyn Smith

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Evelyn B. Smith, 85, of Corvallis died Monday evening at her home. She was born in Dubuque, Iowa, the second child of Belle and Gordon Bradley.

She graduated from Iowa State University with a degree in home economics and then taught high school home economics.

Evelyn met Robert Smith during winter break from college. They became sweethearts, enjoying each other's humor and conversations. Robert knew the first time he met her that she was the girl for him.

They married on June 23, 1945. They lived in Iowa, Wisconsin and Indiana and then moved to Oregon in 1962. They had three boys and two girls.

Evelyn was a loving and kind wife and mother. She enjoyed cats, knitting, crossword puzzles, scrabble, reading, cooking and conversation.

She was baptized as one of Jehovah's Witnesses in October 1975. Her most loved activity was her volunteer Bible teaching. She engaged in that full-time starting in September 1981.

Evelyn was preceded in death by her brother, Gordon Bradley.

She is survived by her husband, Robert Smith, of Corvallis; children, Sharon Kness of Cottage Grove, Brad Smith of Vancouver, Wash., Sandy Casteel of Albany, Steve Smith of Corvallis, and Vernon Smith of Albany; five grandchildren; and brothers Cornelius and Richard Bradley of Iowa.

A memorial service will take place at 1 p.m. Saturday, May 23, at the Kingdom

Hall of Jehovah's Witnesses.