



## Myrna Rae McDougal

December 30, 1934 - September 19, 2023

Myrna McDougal passed away September 19, 2023 in Corvallis, Oregon. She was born Myrna Rae Cooper in Overton, Nevada on December 30, 1934. She was the oldest of six children born to Thomas Knox Cooper and Udine Winn Cooper.

The family moved to Idaho in 1946 where they farmed and later had a grocery store in Nampa. Myrna graduated from Nampa High School in 1953. Even as a teenager, Myrna loved clothes and shoes. She was a talented seamstress and made her own suit for graduation. To her father's dismay, she had over 60 pairs of shoes to choose from to match the suit.

Myrna had a long career in banking. Her first bank job was handing out monthly account statements to customers but she held many other jobs including teller, auditor, branch manager, and Vice President. She worked at Idaho First National Bank, Bank of Idaho, B.M. Behrends Bank, Bank of the North, US Bank and Key Bank.

She married Theodore Melvin (Mel) McDougal on June 11, 1955 in Nampa. They had four children, Mary Ramona (Mona), Micheal Melvin, Russell Jay and Daniel Ray. The family lived in Emmett and then Pocatello before moving to Boise in 1963. In 1964, they became first-time homeowners by building a home on Annette Street in Boise. Myrna and Mel were always social and had

lots of friends from work and the neighborhood. They both played tennis, golf and bowled in leagues with friends.

In 1974 the family moved to Juneau, Alaska where Myrna took a job at B.M. Behrends bank. They lived there until 1980 when they moved back to Boise then Pocatello and then back to Juneau in 1983. Myrna always kept a beautiful house and was an excellent cook. She loved to decorate and they built and decorated several houses over the years in Boise and Juneau.

She and Mel moved to Hillsboro, Oregon 1993 where Myrna was the branch manager for Key Bank. She retired from banking later that year and they moved to Corvallis where she and Mel were managers at Rose Terrace Apartments. At the same time, she became the bookkeeper for Tunnel Radio where she worked until 2004. Even after she retired again at age 70, she did taxes for several family members and their small businesses.

She enjoyed her family and especially her grandchildren. She hosted many delicious holiday meals and “the more, the merrier” was the rule for guests. After the table was cleared, there was always a pinochle game with children and grandchildren. She kept busy with crafts or projects and spent many hours gardening, knitting, and producing “masterpieces” at painting classes with family.

Myrna enjoyed watching sports, especially baseball. She became a “Beaver Believer” after moving to Corvallis and held season tickets to both the OSU and Corvallis Knights teams. She made many friends attending the games.

She and Mel loved to dance and listen to music. She had a nice voice and sang when she was younger. She loved country music and attended the Oregon Jamboree for many years with family and made friends with other music lovers they sat near year after year.

Udine and Melvin passed away in December 2005. Myrna continued to live in

the Corvallis area until 2016 when she moved to Wilsonville, Oregon to live with Mona. She moved to assisted living at Stoneybrook in November of 2017 where she made new friends and continued to see baseball buddies at games. She was living at Stoneybrook at the time of her death.

Myrna was preceded in death by her parents, her sister Marilyn Cooper, her brother Jerry (Butch) Cooper and infant sister Mary Ann Cooper. She is survived by brother Thomas Cooper of Hagerman, Idaho, Sister Caren Jensen of Bothel, Washington, children Mona Rose of Hillsboro, Oregon, Mike and Raneé McDougal of Corvallis, Oregon, Russ McDougal and Laura Baker of Juneau, Alaska and Dan and Michelle McDougal of Lynnwood, Washington. She leaves 15 grandchildren, 29 great-grandchildren and 3 great-great-grandchildren.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Lumina Hospice for the love and care they showed for Myrna.

# Previous Events

## Graveside

OCT 9. 11:00 AM - 11:30 AM (PT)

Oak Lawn Memorial Park  
2245 SW Whiteside Drive  
Corvallis, OR

## Celebration of Life

OCT 9. 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM (PT)

Suburban Christian Church  
2760 SW 53rd St  
Corvallis, OR 97333

# Tribute Wall

MM

“ Mom would have been so blessed to gather with all the family and friends that came to her memorial! I'm sure she was smiling as she looked down from her new home. But the gathering of those that have gone on before us is the ultimate joy that gives us hope in this troubled world. There's a better home awaiting! Please join us once again when death has no more sting and the Lord reigns among his beloved family for evermore!

Mike

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**Mike McDougal** - October 12, 2023 at 02:31 AM

LD

“ Craig and I each have our wonderful memories of Myrna and are so sorry for your loss. She was a tough cookie and I loved every minute of sitting next to her on the landing platform at Behrends. She taught me plenty, she made me laugh, and she had an impressive soft spot for her entire family. She and Mel were very helpful to me when my Mom experienced some health challenges, and Myrna was very supportive of Craig and I as a couple early on. One of my best banking stories happened when she and I worked together and I'll share it directly but just know we've thought of you all a lot. The world has lost one of the best - but I am glad she is resting peacefully and hanging out with some pretty cool people up there. Craig and Leslie Dahl

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**Leslie Dahl** - October 11, 2023 at 09:49 PM

JK

“ If you ever had the chance to be with Myrna. You would know that she was gruff with a sense of humor that would give you a laugh. She loved her family and she always supported them and would tell you how important they were to her. She will be missed. A true Beaver fan all the way. Loved doing her hair for most of my career. She gave the best advice wether you needed it or not. Rest easy Myrna.

Jill Kilwien - September 28, 2023 at 09:39 PM



LOL! Yes, we all got our share of advice!

Mona Rose - October 07, 2023 at 08:15 PM

TR

“ My mom, Vera Gordon, sure enjoyed having Myrna as a friend. My sincere condolences to all who knew and loved her.

Terri Robbins - September 28, 2023 at 12:33 PM

MR

Thank you. I know Vera was a good friend!

Mona Rose - September 29, 2023 at 12:29 AM

BC

“ Bob Mary Conner lit a candle in memory of Myrna McDougal



Bob & Mary Conner - September 27, 2023 at 06:06 PM