



Rachel Petrosik

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Rachel Louise Olson Petrosik of Albany passed away May 21, 2012, at Timberwood Court in Albany.

Rachel was born Oct. 14, 1922, in Mindoro, Wis., to Alvin Olson and Olga Jevne Olson, the third-born of five children.

She married George “Pete” Petrosik on Feb. 16, 1944, in Seattle, Wash., and lived in the Seattle area until 1959, when she and Pete moved to Ocean City, Wash., and started a motel and trailer park business, the Oceana Resort Motel. Rachel was very friendly and good at making people feel welcome, and had many families who regularly vacationed there.

In 1984, Rachel and Pete retired and spent 15 enjoyable years traveling in their RV, primarily in the Pacific Northwest and Arizona.

As a girl, Rachel went with her father to community dances where her Uncle Jevne and oldest sister, Ione, performed, and this led to a lifetime enjoying music, singing and dancing. She especially enjoyed lively old-time music, including polkas, among other favorites. Rachel also enjoyed reading, camping, and trips to Mexico for music and Coronas, and was especially fond of playing Keno. She was also skilled at knitting and crocheting.

In 2006, Rachel moved to Timberwood Court to be nearer her daughter, and she had many good times there with a loving and supportive staff.

Rachel was preceded in death by Pete, her husband of 55 years; and sons Gary and Michael.

She is survived by daughters Rita Petrosik of Corvallis and Shelly Edwards of Kasilof, Alaska; sister LaVon Manchuk of Galesville, Wis.; cousin Chris Nielsen of Seattle, Wash.; nephew Larry Rosenlund of Lacey, Wash.; nieces Sandy Hilton of Trempealeau, Wis., and Sharon Howe of Galesville; grandchildren Jim Honsberger of Eugene, Kurt Honsberger of Springfield, Kyle Honsberger of Portland, Sara Honsberger of Portland, Jasmine Petrosik of Chandler, Ariz., Derek Eckles of Phoenix, Ariz., and Kristine Eckles of Kingman, Ariz.; and great-grandchildren Christopher Eckles of Kingman and Lily Rachel Manning of Chandler.

A celebration of Rachel's life took place May 29 at Timberwood Court.