



Thelma Hammond

February 20, 1913 - January 10, 2013

Thelma Lillian Skow Hammond died at Samaritan Evergreen Hospice House in Albany. She was 99.

Born in Marne, Iowa, her parents were Bendix and Mable Mathies Skow. She attended school in Marne and graduated from Atlantic High School in Atlantic, Iowa. She and John N. Hammond were married in 1931. Two children, Kay and John Craig, were born to them.

They lived in Cass County, Iowa, where they owned and operated a dairy and then farmed. They moved to Corvallis in 1967, where they had a laundry/dry cleaning business for several years.

Thelma was a partner and helpmate in every endeavor, and was a good mother to her children. She was an excellent dressmaker and tailor for her family and for others. She enjoyed frequent trips back to Iowa with John. Until her vision failed, she took pleasure in sewing, needlework, reading and gardening.

Survivors include sister Dorothy Dimig of Atlantic; daughter Kay Novak (George) of Corvallis; grandchildren Christine Zetterberg (Scott) of Milwaukie, Daniel Novak (Tahnya) of Redding, Calif., Paula Novak of Corvallis and Jay Hammond (Tara) of Ashland. Eight great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews also survive.

Interment in Atlantic will be arranged at a later date. Memorial donations for the First Presbyterian Church stained glass project or the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation can be submitted to DeMoss-Durdan Funeral Home

and Crematory, 815 N.W. Buchanan Ave., Corvallis, OR 97330.

Tribute Wall

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“ Kay, we just wanted to send our sympathy in the passing of your Mom. We loved your parents and so enjoyed having your Dad garden in our back yard for several years, while we lived in the brick house on Western Blvd. While he was tending the garden your Mom would "tend" him! They were such a delight and we loved hearing the stories they had to tell. We are in Yuma, AZ where we spend the Winter, and then we are back in Newport where we retired, so Roger could continue to enjoy his fishing. Give your family our love and tell them we had the most beautiful garden in town in our back yard when John was there!

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