

PURCELL, Norma Elaine  
Paradise Post  
3-25-2009

## Norma Elaine Purcell

1937 - 2009 [👤 Obituary](#) [👤 Condolences](#)



With her family at her side, Yankee Hill resident Norma Elaine Purcell, 71, passed away March 20, 2009 in Paradise. Norma was born in Chico to Chester and Clara Black on September 9, 1937.

She is survived by her husband, Bill of Yankee Hill; three daughters, Deborah Hernandez and her husband Ray of Kingman, AZ, Jeanette Barrera of Chico, and Koren Jernigan and her husband Kevin of Oroville. Also two sisters, Beverly of Davis, CA and Renee of Magalia, CA and her mother Clara Blake of Auburn, CA. She has seven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren.

A graveside service is planned for Wednesday, March 25, 2009 at 12 noon, at the Paradise Cemetery. Arrangements by Chapel of the Pines Funeral Home.

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# JOSEPHSON, Frank Eugene

Mail Tribune (Oregon)

4-14-2009

Frank E. Josephson

Frank Eugene Josephson, 92, of Medford, Ore., passed Thursday, April 9, 2009. Frank was born June 11, 1916, in Yankee Hill, Calif., to Oliver C. and Katherine (Clark) Josephson. In Hollywood, Calif., in 1944, he married Lucille S. Smith, who survives. Frank and Lucille came to Southern Oregon in 1950 from Long Beach, Calif. He worked his way up to foreman at Double D Lumber Co. in Central Point, Ore. Frank enjoyed hunting, fishing, camping, woodworking, Pinochle and was never too tired for a good game of Turkey Tracks dominos. He served in the U.S. Navy during WWII. Survivors, in addition to Lucille, include daughter, Joyce (Richard) Tuttle, of Medford, Ore.; son, Gary E. Josephson, of Willamina, Ore.; three grandchildren, Scott Tuttle, of West Jordan, Utah., Stephen Tuttle, of Provo, Utah., and Suzanne Lee, of Midvale, Utah.; and two great-grandchildren, Henry and Benjamin Tuttle, of Provo, Utah. Frank was preceded by his parents; five brothers; two sisters; and two granddaughters.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m. Wednesday, April 15, 2009, at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints meeting house on 3456 Bellinger Lane with visitation from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. Graveside services will follow at Memory Gardens Memorial Park. Memorial contributions can be made to the LDS Humanitarian Fund, 3456 Bellinger Lane, Medford, OR 97501.

Memory Gardens Memorial Park and Mortuary in care of arrangements. [www.memorygardensmortuary.com](http://www.memorygardensmortuary.com)

# LINDBERG, Betty Jenkinson

## Chico Enterprise Record

5-4-2009

### BETTY JENKINSON LINDBERG

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BETTY JENKINSON

LINDBERG

A memorial service for Betty Jenkinson Lindberg, 89, of Chico, CA, will be held on Saturday, May 9, 2009, 10:00 a.m. at Gridley-Biggs Cemetery. Betty passed away on April 10, 2009 at her residence in Chico. She was born on June 15, 1919 in Detroit, MI to Edward Newton and Flora Jenkinson.

Betty attended UCSF Mt. Zion Nursing School and worked as a registered nurse for 35 years. On November 11, 1945 she wed Ernest Lindberg, they resided in Menlo Park for many years, where she worked for Stanford University Hospital and Stanford Children's Hospital. In the late 70's they moved to Concow and she went to work for Oroville Hospital. Betty moved to Chico in 2000. She enjoyed square dancing, Grange activities, traveling, camping, water and snow sports, reunions with Ernie's Air Force Squadron and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her son, Steve (Teri) Lindberg of Chico; daughter, Shari (Eric) Bosler of Portland, OR; grandchildren, Megan (Jeremy) Thompson of The Dalles, OR, Hilary (Gabe) Flynn of Plymouth, MN, Josh (Kristen) Lindberg of Eugene, OR, Annarose (Jonathan) Mitchell of Santa Barbara, CA and Arthur Lindberg of Biggs, CA; and great-grandchildren, Jarrett Thompson and Finley Lindberg. Betty was preceded in death by her husband of 49 years, Ernie Lindberg.

Her love and cheerfulness will be in our hearts forever.

Charitable donations may be made to Gideons or to the Oroville Rescue Mission in care of Affordable Mortuary who are handling the arrangements.

Send condolences online [www.affordablemortuary.net](http://www.affordablemortuary.net)

Published in Chico Enterprise-Record on May 4, 2009

MORRIS, Wayne,  
Paradise Post  
5-27-2009



Mr. Morris passed away peacefully on Monday, May 25, 2009 at the age of 100. He was born March 22, 1909 in Fortuna, CA, the son of Elmer and Mabel Morris. Wayne married his wife Lucille in 1931. They were married 70 years when Lucille passed away.

Mr. Morris worked as a heavy equipment operator and job superintendent. He was a charter member of Operating Engineers Local 3. Wayne was a Butte County resident for fifty years, thirty in the Yankee Hill area and the last twenty in Paradise.

Besides Lucille, Wayne was preceded in death by his oldest son Arthur. He is survived by his son, Robert Morris; his daughter, Marjory Morgott; nine grandchildren; sixteen great-grandchildren; and one great-great-grandson.

At his request there will be no memorial service. Chapel of the Pines is handling the arrangements.

Published in Paradise Post from May 27 to May 29, 2009

# McCUNE (WOOD), Jennie Marie

## The Sacramento Bee

9-2-2009

### **McCUNE, Jennie Marie**

Born January 5, 1930, at Hallelujah Junction, Calif., the youngest child of William and Laura Wood. Jennie passed away in the early hours of August 25, 2009, with her family at her side. She was preceded in death by her husband Donald in 1999. Jennie is survived by her two sons, Donald (Sue) and Michael (Brandy), Grand children Marty, Crystal and Shelly; Great grand children Gabby McCune and Max Jackson, Sisters Ella Raver, Adeline Myers and brother Oliver Wood. She is also survived by many loving nieces and nephews. As a child Jennie's family lived in the Feather River Canyon and Oroville area later moving to Sacramento settling in Florin where she attended Florin Elementary and Elk Grove High School. Jennie married Don in 1947 and continued to live in the Florin area until they retired and moved to Shingle Springs to enjoy living in the country. Jennie was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother and friend. She loved the out of doors and would spend hours working in her yard landscaping, weeding or planting new flowers. And if she wasn't there she'd be out visiting friends, having lunch at the community center or helping someone. She truly loved people and will be missed by all. Jennies funeral will be on Wednesday, September 2, at Green Valley Mortuary, Green Valley and Bass Lake Roads, Cameron Park, Calif. Viewing from 9:00 to 11:00 a.m., with funeral services at 11:00 a.m.

# Legacy.com

9-24-2009

## LULA E. NEWMAN

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LULA E. NEWMAN

Lula E. Newman 83, passed from this life on September 24, 2009, following open heart surgery and was reunited with her beloved Orville who predeceased her on October 14, 2008.

Lu, as she was known to her family and friends, was born on January 15, 1926 in St. Ignatius, Montana to Ren and Laura Olsen. She was married to the love of her life, Orville Floyd Newman, on January 3, 1945 in Bremerton, Washington.

Lu is survived by her baby sister; Darlene Fisher, and sister-in-law; Marjorie Olsen. Lu was the loving mother of her son; Stephan (Mary) Newman, and daughters; Dianna (John) Jones, Laura (Steve) Folgner, and Darlene (Lance) Hunziker. Lu is also survived by eight grandchildren; Nicole (Dirk) VanStralen, Courtney (Byron) Roethler, Jessica (Agke) Grow, Zachary Lord, Gina Folgner, Danika (Nick) Fletcher, Christopher, and Brandon Hunziker as well as four great-grandchildren; Issak Guzman, Beck and Reed VanStralen and Brayson Roethler.

Lu was predeceased by five brothers, and three sisters. She had the privilege to act as an adopted Mom to several nieces and nephews and will be missed by all of them. Lu and Orv enjoyed their retirement years traveling to visit friends and family, and especially enjoyed the last 24 years living in Yankee Hill sharing many memories with friends and neighbors. Family meant everything to Lu and she traveled every year to Montana to enjoy her Olsen family reunions. Even as Lu joins the many members of her family that have passed before her, she leaves many lasting memories in the hearts of those who love her. We will miss you Momma!

Services will be held on October 10, 2009 at 1 p.m. at the Gilbertson Home in Yankee Hill.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to Birch Grove School can be made by contacting Dianna Jones

NEWMAN, Lula E.  
Chico Enterprise Record  
10-9-2009

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# JOSEPHSON (SMITH), Lucille Sylvia Mail Tribune (Oregon)

11-10-2009

Lucille S. Josephson

Lucille Sylvia Smith Josephson, 90, of Medford, Ore., passed away of Pancreatic Cancer on Thursday, Nov. 5, 2009 at home with her daughter and son-in-law by her side. She was born June 5, 1919 in Klamath Falls, Ore., to Heber and Clara (Uhrine) Smith. She married Frank E. Josephson in 1944 in Hollywood, Calif. They came to the Rogue Valley in 1950 from Yankee Hill, Calif. Lucille had been a bookkeeper during her working years. She enjoyed Pinochle and the Dominoes game, Turkey Tracks, with her family. Lucy loved playing the organ and piano. She was active in humanitarian projects: crocheting leper bandages, making kitty blankets and Caps for Kids. She was also an avid genealogist and enjoyed many years of helping others research their family histories. She was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Survivors include daughter, Joyce Tuttle (Richard), of Medford, Ore.; son, Gary E. Josephson, of Willamina, Ore.; three grandchildren, Scott Tuttle (Jill), of West Jordan, Utah, Stephen Tuttle (Janell), of Provo, Utah, Suzanne Tuttle Lee (Jared), of Midvale, Utah; two great-grandchildren, Henry and Benjamin Tuttle, of Provo, Utah, sister, Thelma Cullimore; and niece, Judy Cullimore Ives, of Klamath Falls, Ore.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 65 years, Frank Josephson; brother, Mervyn Smith; and two granddaughters, Tracey and Katrina Tuttle.

Lucille's family thanks the Providence Hospice group for all their loving care.

Public viewing will be held at Memory Gardens, Wednesday, November 11th from 3-7:00 p.m. Funeral services will be held at 12:00 p.m., Thursday, Nov. 12, 2009 at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 3456 Bellinger Lane, Medford, OR. Interment will follow at Memory Gardens Memorial Park.

Donations may be made in her name to the LDS Humanitarian Fund c/o Ralph Cluff, 2475 Griffin Creek Rd, Medford, OR, 97501

[www.memorygardensmortuary.com](http://www.memorygardensmortuary.com)



# HAMILTON, Sheri N.

## Paradise Post

### 12-7-2009

## Sheri Nicole Hamilton

1982 - 2009 [👤 Obituary](#) [👤 Condolences](#)



Sheri Nicole Hamilton passed away on December 1, 2009 at UC Davis Hospital. Sheri was diagnosed with Non Hodgkin's Lymphoma on her 27th birthday Nov 5, and died of complications on Dec 1. Sheri was born on Nov 5, 1982 in San Bernardino CA, to David Ray Hamilton of Moreno Valley, CA, and Catherine Sanchez Hamilton of Roswell, New Mexico. She lived in Moreno Valley, CA until the summer of 1989 when they moved to Yankee Hill, CA.

Sheri attended PAA, and graduated from Magalia Adventist School in 2001. She graduated from Butte College in 2004 with two AA degrees and 5 certificates. Sheri was a very talented and outgoing Graphic Designer and photographer. "Sheri was one of my best students", as stated by Mr. Donnelly of Butte College. "Sheri's generosity and willingness to help everyone, plus her talent and creativity will be missed". She was employed by Creative Imaging in Oroville, and later went to work for Improvement Direct in Chico, CA.

Sheri is survived by her parents, two sisters, one brother, and several extended sisters, Erica Little, Tanya Noe, etc. Family: Nikky Gates and Carlos Gates, and three nephews, Troy, Daniel, and Christian from Tahoka, TX. April Lewis and Joshua Lewis who was loved like a brother. Mike Hamilton and Lacey Blasy, their three children, Cody, Alex, and JamieLynn of Oroville. Sheri also leaves behind her grandmothers, Delores Hamilton of Paradise, and Gertrude Acosta of Yankee Hill, CA; grandfathers, Don Hamilton of Paradise CA, Salvador Briseno of Roswell, NM and Guillermo Acosta of Lubbock, TX precede her in death. Sheri leaves behind her fiancée, Dustin Kimble and his son Troy, and Dustin's parents, Yvonne and John Ford of Magalia, as well as other family members who loved her dearly. Sheri also leaves behind many aunts and uncles, cousins, and loving friends who will miss her dearly.

A Celebration of Life service will be held at the Upper Ridge SDA church, in Magalia, CA, 15204 Skyway, on Dec 12, 2009 at 7:00pm.

# MOAK, James Aury "Tobe" Chico Enterprise Record 12-30-2009

## ■ JAMES MOAK

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JAMES MOAK

A Graveside Service for James Aury "Tobe" Moak, 91 of Chico, California, will take place on Monday, January 4, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at Glen Oaks Memorial Park in Chico.

A Visitation Service will be held on Sunday, January 3, 2010 from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. at Affordable Mortuary, 2934 Esplanade, Chico.

Tobe passed away at Enloe Medical Center on December 23, 2009. He was born on June 8, 1918 in Yankee Hill, California to George and Nettie Moak. He worked as a Logger and also as a Building Contractor.

Tobe is survived by his beloved wife of 19 years, Marlys Moak; two daughters, Kathleen Lozano and Linda King; one son, Sonny Moak and eight grandchildren. Send condolences online at [www.affordablemortuary.net](http://www.affordablemortuary.net).

BARKER, Elaine Lois  
Chico Enterprise Record  
1-14-2010

## ELAINE LOIS BARKER

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ELAINE LOIS BARKER

Elaine Lois Barker passed away Jan. 10, 2010 at the age of 94. She was born to Walter and Gladys Blume July 25, 1915 in Minnesota. She was preceded in death by her husband, Pete Barker and her parents.

Elaine worked at Montgomery Ward and Sears in her youth. She and her husband, Pete were rock hounds and owned their own rock shop where they made beautiful jewelry.

She loved to fish in Lake Oroville and spend lots of time with her grand and great-grandchildren. She loved her community of Concow and waitressed at Jarbo Gap and Grandview for many years. She also loved to play her organ.

She is survived by her two sons, Gary Graves of Concow, CA and Dick Anderson of Oroville, CA, along with five grandchildren, Mae Kelly of Sacramento, CA, Sherman and Richard Anderson of Oroville, CA, and Lois Steele and Jean Anderson of Quartzsite, AZ; eight great-grandchildren and ten great-great-grandchildren.

She was a loving mother and grandmother and we will miss her very much.

Arrangements were handled by Rose Chapel Mortuary.

**PRESLEY, Howard "Bud"**  
**Sonoma West Times & News**  
**5-13-2010**

## **Howard 'Bud' Presley**

### **Logger and hunter**

Howard "Bud" Presley died on May 2, 2010 at the age of 83 years, 8 months and 3 days. Presley was born in Chico, and lived in Annapolis, Geyserville and Oroville. Presley spent his life in the woods as a logger and avid hunter. He was preceded in death by wife Betty, son Ken and sister Alma. Presley is survived by his partner Millie; sons Ron and Bob; brother Lee; sisters Barbara and Audry; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews.



**Bud Presley**

# VENTURI (CAMPBELL), Dollie Esther

## Oakland Tribune

### 7-13-2010

## Dollie E. Venturi

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Dollie E. Venturi

Oakland Tribune, The (CA) - Tuesday, July 13, 2010

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Dollie E. Venturi Resident of Tucson, AZ Born July 27, 1909, in Cherokee, California passed away peacefully in her sleep July 1, 2010 in Tucson, Arizona at the age of 100. She was preceded in death by her husbands George Saba, Fred Venturi, and son David Saba and is survived by her sons George S. Saba of Portola, California and LeeRoy C. Saba of Tucson, Arizona. Dollie worked for many years as a matron and retired from the Oakland School System. Services will be held at Chapel of the Chimes in Hayward, Calif. July 16, 2010, at 1:30 p.m. Chapel of the Chimes 510-471-3363

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Oakland Tribune, The (CA) - Tuesday, July 13, 2010

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# GRAMPS, Alice Irene

## Chico Enterprise Record

### 8-5-2010

## ALCIE IRENE GRAMPS

1935 - 2010 [👤 Obituary](#) [👤 Condolences](#)

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### ALCIE IRENE GRAMPS

Alcie was born November 11, 1935 and passed away on August 1, 2010 in Red Bluff, CA at St. Elizabeth Hospital, at the age of 75 years.

She was preceded in death by her beloved husband, Harry (Junior) Gramps and two children; Hiney and Dorothy.

Alcie is survived by her six children; Debora, Bucky, Loretta, Junior, Tarrena and Kaprcia as well as 18 grandchildren.

Final Services will be held at Yankee Hill Grange Hall, 4122 Big Bend Rd, Oroville, CA at 11:00 a.m. Sunday, August 8, 2010.

Published in Chico Enterprise-Record on Aug. 5, 2010

GILES, June Mae  
Chico Enterprise Record  
9-11-2010

# June Mae Giles

1919 - 2010 [👤 Obituary](#) [👤 Condolences](#)

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## JUNE MAE GILES

June Mae Giles, was born in Rexford Kansas, June 19, 1919, passed away September 7, 2010 she was 91 years old.

She was a resident of Concow for 83 years and had a passion for animals and life. June is the oldest of 12 brothers and sisters.



June is survived by her son, Edward (Jim) Giles of Concow and her daughters, Barbara Thorne of Carmichael and Brenda Pommells of Red Bluff. She is also survived by her brothers, Henry Stevens of Red Bluff and Theodore Stevens of South Carolina and her sisters, Nellie Garrett of Red Bluff, Mable Hershey of Wisconsin, Gwen Olsen of Mineral and Marie Gramps of Red Bluff and five grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

She is preceded in death by her husband Ray E. Giles.

Services will be held at a later date.

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LOZANO (MOAK), Kathleen  
Chico Enterprise Record  
9-22-2010

Kathleen Margaret Lozano

1943 - 2010  Obituary  Condolences

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KATHLEEN LOZANO

Kathleen Margaret Lozano was born in Washington state on January 1, 1943. She was a descendant of the Moaks, a local pioneer family that settled in California in 1850. She started school in Concow, then attended schools in Paradise, Greenville and graduated from Oroville High School in 1960. She went on to graduate from Chico State. Kathleen retired from the City of Chico.

She loved nature, the mountains, the woods and the trees in her yard. Her favorite flowers were roses. In the spring her backyard was beautiful. After her retirement she raised Schnauzer puppies and never failed to take delight in the antics of her pups, spending many hours playing with them.

She is survived by her children; Rafe and Rachael and her grandchildren; Rebeka, Renee Alyssa, Riley and Anderson. She is also survived by her brother Jim Moak of Corning and sister Linda King of Texas.

Kathleen had grown into a very wise and loving woman and her counsel will be sorely missed by her family. We love you Mom, Grandmom, Auntie and Sissy.

Kathleen passed away on September 15, 2010 at her home. A memorial will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2010 starting at 11:00 a.m. at her home 2019 Fogg Ave, Oroville.



ELLIS (STRANG), Amber Olivia  
Auburn Journal  
10-12-2010

**Amber Ellis**  
**Obituary**

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Amber Ellis  
4/4/1913 - 9/10/2010

Amber Olivia Strang Ellis passed away on September 10, 2010 in Fair Oaks, California at age 97. She was born on April 4, 1913 in Oroville, Calif.

After graduating from Oroville High School, Amber was able to attend college because she bought the winning raffle ticket. The raffle prize was a 1932 Plymouth Coupe which she sold and used the money to attend San Jose State University.

While at college she fell in love with her roommate's brother, Page Ellis. They married in August 1934, and were joined by their son Bruce in 1944. They lived in Sacramento, Carmichael and Auburn before the family settled in Roseville in 1956. Amber became very involved in her community. She was the PTA President at Atlantic Street School, Cub Scout Den Mother, member of the American Rose Society and Al-Anon. She loved the theater and was in several community plays, as well as playing a Halloween witch for children at Roseville Hospital. She was also on TV in car commercials. Amber enjoyed traveling, and sharing time with family, friends, and pets.

She is survived by her son, Bruce, daughter-in-law, Irene, grandchildren Mark, Rob, and Brian, great-grandchildren Shea, Turner, Calvin, and Alexandra and nieces and nephews in California and Arizona.

The family would like to express their appreciation to the staff at Eskaton Fair Oaks and Villa Del Rey of Lincoln for all the love and care they gave to Amber.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2010 at 11 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall at the Lutheran Church of the Resurrection 6365 Douglas Blvd. Granite Bay, CA.

THUNEN, Phillip Edward  
Appeal Democrat (Marysville, CA)

11-2-2010

# Philip E. Thunen

📖 Obituary   ➤ Guest Book

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 Sign the  
Guest Book

1964 - 2010 Philip E. Thunen passed away suddenly October 26, 2010, at the age of 46. He was born in San Francisco January 4, 1964 to Betty Frances Thunen and Philip Ross Thunen. He lived in Yuba City all of his life. Phil is survived by four daughters, Sally and Sarah Montenegro and Stacy and Susan Thunen. He also leaves behind his father, Dr. Philip Thunen; sister, Elizabeth (Liz) and brother-in-law Daniel Brewer; nephew, Taylor Brewer; and numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends. He was preceded in death by his mother, Betty Thunen. Phil was an avid duck hunter and bass fisherman and had belonged to Gold Country Bassers Fishing Club, and E.C. Powell Fly Fishing Club. Phil attended Yuba City High School, Yuba College and the University of California at Davis, with a BS in biology. He was a devoted teacher of the life sciences at Hiram Johnson High School in Sacramento, celebrating his 20th year of teaching there this year. He loved collecting all kinds of animal and bug species for his classroom. A memorial service will be held Friday, November 5, 2010 at 10:30 A.M. at the Church of the Nazarene of Yuba City, 600 N. George Washington Blvd., Yuba City, CA. In lieu of flowers, the family asks that donations be made in his name to the charity of your choice. A trust fund has been established for the benefit of his children at Gold County Bank. Send Condolences at [www.appealdemocrat.com](http://www.appealdemocrat.com)

# DENNIS (CAMPBELL), Charlotte Lucille

## Chico Enterprise Record

### 12-18-2010

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## Charlotte Dennis Char, 58

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Charlotte Dennis

Chico Enterprise-Record (Chico, CA) - Saturday, December 18, 2010

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Reno NV United States

CHARLOTTE DENNIS Char was born in Oroville, CA on January 4, 1929. On December 15, 2010, she clasped the hand of Jesus Christ to take the final journey to meet her Heavenly Father. When only six years of age, Char became her Dad's tomboy. As she was constantly with him, she learned the rudiments of what hard work would bring her in material things. By age fourteen she owned her own cattle horse and had started her own bovine herd. She was raised in the small community of Las Plumas, a PG&E power house unit on the Feather River, where she attended a small one room school house. She was the graduating class of one person. She then attended Oroville Union High School, where she became a drum majorette for four years. This was an activity that she thoroughly enjoyed. Leading the school band in a parade was most enjoyable. From the time Char entered high school, most of the girls aided the WWII effort by producing medical supplies in vast numbers. Many other schools contributed as well. The use of these supplies was probably responsible for saving the lives of many of our wounded men in hazardous combat. Char met her husband to be, Ken, in 1946 where they both worked in a local movie theatre. They enrolled at Chico State College and decided to marry on June 1st, 1947. The Dennis' were transferred to a theatre in Fort Bragg, CA, where Char gave birth to a beautiful little girl, Kathleen Jill Dennis. Six months later the family moved to another theatre challenge in Healdsburg, CA, where many friends were found. In 1951, they found more friends in Modesto, CA, while taking on the 1700 seat strand theatre-the largest on the Redwood Theatre Circuit. It was a tremendous challenge, but with the fast approaching sell out of National TV, the family took a close look at other means of employment. By a fortunate chance, a long time and successful business was found, so Char, Ken and Jill moved to Reno in 1957 to try personal enterprise. The move was a good one, so in Reno they remained to this day. They wanted to participate in local affairs so when Ken was named Director of Reno Rodeo, Char became an associate member. They both became invaluable to the Association. Char enjoyed the activity so much that they acquired a small ranch, where they could have riding horses and participate in rodeo horse activities. That led them to become members of the Nevada White Hats; a great riding group. The family also

# DENNIS (CAMPBELL), Charlotte Lucille

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chose to compete on the horse show circuit and showed their horses for 15 years. That activity was very successful, as their daughter accumulated enough points in the competition to be named AQHA champion in 1967, a National honor. In addition to her love of horses, Char was employed by the USDA for over 25 years, and was essential to the program as its financial handler. On August 11, 1987, Char's wonderful daughter died of breast cancer, but left her two lovely granddaughters, Christine Gaynor and Cari Gaynor to be loved in her place. Surviving Char is her husband, Ken Dennis; granddaughters, Christine and Cari Gaynor, and a community that loved her dearly. There will be an open casket viewing at 10:00 a.m. on Sunday, December 19, 2010 at Walton Funeral Home, 875 W. 2nd Street in Reno. The funeral will be held at 11:00 a.m. at the funeral home. In lieu of flowers, donations would be kindly accepted to the Northern Nevada Breast Cancer Assoc., in honor of Jill Gaynor. Burial will take place at Cherokee Cemetery in Oroville, CA. Please contact the funeral home for the date and time (775-323-7189).

# DUENSING, Fern

## Chico Enterprise Record

### 12-21-2010

## FERN DUENSING

1919 - 2010 [🕒 Obituary](#) [🕒 Condolences](#)



FERN DUENSING

Fern Duensing was born on August 19, 1919 in Gillette, WY to William and Rozella Lane, on the family homestead. She died peacefully in Chico on Dec. 14, 2010.

She moved at an early age to Mt. Shasta, CA. From there she moved to Orland, CA, where she graduated from Orland High in 1937. She then lived in Sacramento, CA, Rawlins, WY, Denver, CO, and Ainsworth, NE, finally settling in Chico in 1954.

Fern's love of travel took her through the US and Canada on many driving trips, as well as a number of sea cruises. Most of all, though, she loved spending time with family.

Fern was a long time member of the Chico Eagles Auxillary and The Grandmothers Club.

Fern was predeceased by her husband of 50 years, Eldon Duensing, in 2007. She was also predeceased by her two brothers, Lloyd and Jim, and her two sisters, Opal and Caroline.

She is survived by her sons, Jerry (Vicki) Chamberlain, and Ron (Donna) Chamberlain, both of Chico, and Doug Duensing of Dallas, TX. Grandchildren, Matt

Chamberlain, Vicki Ann Chamberlain, Angela Handy and Larry Chamberlain; great-grandchildren, Amanda Kelley, Anne and Connor Chamberlain, David and Jacob Vollmer and Renee Hosino.

At Fern's request, no services will be held. but a memorial is planned for the summer.

Please, no flowers, but donations may be made, to either the Butte County Search and Rescue, or the DeSabra Volunteer Fire Department.