

In Memory of...

Betty Jean Spackman
May 8, 1927 – August 15, 2011



Betty was born in Los Angeles California to Eva and James Musgrove and passed away peacefully under excellent care in the Christurean's home with Providence Elderplace.

Betty was the office manager for L and H Lumber company in Sutherlin Oregon where she succumbed to the charms of Jim Spackman, who often came in on business and they were married May 8th, 1954. They began their journey in Sutherlin Oregon. Betty and Jim built a unique 4000 square foot home together on 121 acres near the North Umpqua River in Roseburg.

The most important part of her life was family. She worked, raised a family and took care of her mother in her home until her mother passed away. Betty was purposeful in providing for her children the things she did not have when she was growing up. She planned and worked to keep get-togethers celebrations and vacations a family affair. She invested in many beach stays, trips to Hawaii, Disneyworld and resort settings for the family to relax and enjoy each other's company.

Bookkeeping and tax consulting was a perfect career choice for Betty because she enjoyed helping company's and individual's get their records and taxes in order. Betty was a partner in Betty & Ruth's bookkeeping service in Sutherlin Oregon for over 30 years. She was working as a tax consultant until 2008.

Betty's favorite things in life besides work and vacations was anything orange, she had an orange bedroom, kitchen, clothes, and jewelry. She loved reading, and especially loved being around family and eating out.

She is preceded in death by a brother, Robert Musgrove, and her parents. She is survived by her husband James and four children in Oregon, Teresa Brown, Springfield, Bob Spackman, Alfalfa, David Spackman, Vernonia, Jeff Spackman, Portland, 9 grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Betty was special, she will be remembered for her kindness. She was generous to her children, grandchildren, friends and many charities. She always tried to do her best. She will remain in our hearts now and forever.

A memorial service will be held at Providence Elderplace at 17727 E. Burnside Street, Gresham, Oregon on Tuesday, August 30th at 2:30 PM



LUCILLE E. HICKMAN



Lucille E. Hickman, 94, a former resident of Vernonia and McMinnville, late of Hillsboro, died Tuesday evening, August 9, 2011 at the Kindred Adult Foster Care Home in Hillsboro, Oregon.

Graveside Services were held on Friday, August 12, 2011 at 1:00 PM at the Vernonia Memorial Cemetery, 2080 Bridge Street in Vernonia, with Pastor Sam Hough, of the First Christian Church in Vernonia, officiating. Concluding Rites and Interment followed at the Cemetery.

LUCILLE EVA HICKMAN was born December 7, 1916 in Custer County, Nebraska, the daughter of the late Fred Curtis Hickman and Amy Mehetibel (Burnett) Hickman. She was raised on the family farm and received her education in Broken Bow, Nebraska.

She was united in marriage to Charley Lawrence Hickman on September 14, 1935 in Mullen, Nebraska. Following their marriage they lived in Nebraska for 2 ½ years, before moving to Corvallis, Oregon, where they resided for ten years. In 1947, they moved to the Vernonia community, where she lived for forty-three years.

Lucille was preceded in death by her husband, Charley, on July 18, 1984 in Hillsboro, Oregon, after celebrating over forty-eight years of marriage together.

In 1990, she moved to the

McMinnville community, where she lived for nine years. In 1999, she moved to Alterra Wynwood Retirement Community in Forest Grove, where she was a guest resident for nine years. In 2008, Lucille moved to Clare Bridge of Beaverton Retirement Community, where she lived for two years, until February of 2011, when she moved to the Kindred Adult Foster Care Home in Hillsboro, where she had resided since.

Lucille was a homemaker.

While living in the Vernonia community, she was an active member of the First Christian Church, which the Church's Bell Tower was re-constructed in the Memory of Charley. Lucille was also a member of the Pythian Sisters Lodge and the Rebekah Lodge.

Among her special interests she enjoyed sewing, handwork, quilting and gardening. Lucille was preceded in death by her parents, Fred and Amy Hickman, her five brothers and sisters, Lyle (who died as a child), Vera, Orville, Omar and Wanda.

Survivors include her two daughters and a son-in-law, Patricia Spohn, of Cool, California and Priscilla and Ted Grice, of Portland, Oregon and her two sons and daughters-in-law, Larry and Marilyn Hickman, of Yamhill, Oregon; and Curtis and Connie Hickman, of The Dalles, Oregon.

Also surviving are nine grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

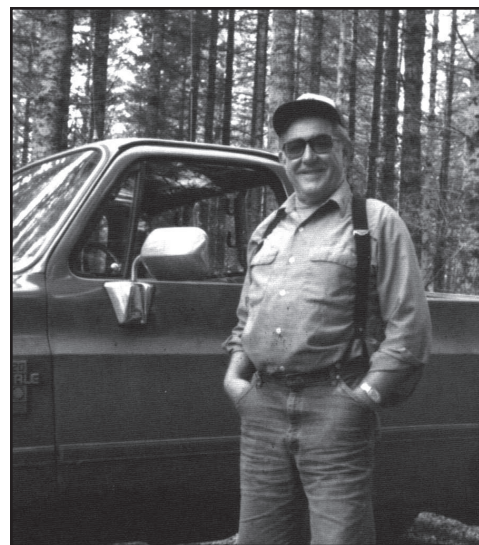
The family suggests that remembrances may be contributions to the Hospice and Palliative Care of Washington County, 900 S.E. Oak Street, #202, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123, in her memory.

To sign the online guest book or to send a condolence to the family go to www.fuitenrosehoyt.com.

Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home in Forest Grove is in charge of the arrangements.
(503)-357-2161



EARSEL V. "ERNIE" CHRISTENSEN



Earsel V. "Ernie" Christensen, 90, a lifelong native of the Vernonia community, died Tuesday morning, August 2, 2011 at the Legacy Emanuel Medical Center in Portland, Oregon.

A Celebration of Life Service was held on Tuesday, August 9, 2011 at 11:00 AM at the Fuiten, Rose & Hoyt Funeral Home, 741 Madison Avenue in Vernonia, Oregon, with Pastor John Cahill, of Pioneer Baptist Fellowship in Vernonia, Oregon, officiating. Burial Rites and Interment with a Flag Honor Presentation under the direction of the American Legion Post # 119 in Vernonia

and the American Legion Washington Post #2 in Forest Grove.

Family and friends are invited to attend a reception immediately following the cemetery rites, to be held at the Vernonia Scout Cabin, 1800 Bridge Street in Vernonia, Oregon.

EARSEL VENVIL "ERNIE" CHRISTENSEN was born April 22, 1921 in Vernonia, Oregon, a 5th generation Vernonian, the son of the late Vester Christensen and Helen (Anderson) Christensen. He grew up on the family farm, near Vernonia and attended Lincoln and Pleasant Hill Elementary Schools and Vernonia High School, having been a graduate of the Class of 1939.

He was a Veteran of World War II, having joined the United States Army in early 1942, serving in North Africa and Europe, attaining the rank of Sergeant. Following his discharge in December 1945, he went to work in the Timber industry. Ernie had worked as a faller and later as a supervisor for Holce Logging Company in Vernonia for seventeen years, until he retired in 1986.

Ernie was united in marriage to Velva Ramsey in 1949. They later divorced.

On December 18, 1985, he was united in marriage to Irene Bergerson on the Christensen homestead in Vernonia, Oregon. They celebrated their 25th Wedding Anniversary this past December. Following their marriage they made their home on the Christensen Homestead in Vernonia, where they have resided since.

Ernie was an avid outdoorsman. He loved fishing (especially winter stealhead), hunting, hiking and camping. Following his retirement, he enjoyed traveling and working on his tree farm.

He was preceded in death by his parents and his three sisters, Arvela Robertson, Vesta King and Lesta Peppard.

Survivors include his wife, Irene Christensen, of the family home in Vernonia, Oregon; four stepsons and their spouses, Phillip D. "Phil" and Debbie Meyer, of Aloha, Oregon; Stanley B. "Stan" Meyer, of Vernonia, Oregon; Ronald D. "Ron" and Cindy Meyer, of Beaverton, Oregon; and Gary B. and Debra Meyer, of Vernonia, Oregon.

Also surviving are his three grandchildren, Justin Meyer, of New York City, New York; Nicholas Meyer, Beaverton, Oregon and Michael Meyer, of Aloha, Oregon; and several nieces and nephews.

The family suggests that remembrances may be contributions to the N.R.A. (National Rifle Association), 11250 Waples Mill Road, Fairfax, Virginia, 22030, in his memory.

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