

BETTY AUSTIN OBITUARY

Austin, Betty Ann (Becker) 93 July 11, 1920 Dec. 01, 2013 Betty A. Austin, 93, went to be with her Lord on Dec. 1, 2013. She was born in Monroe, Wash., on July 11, 1920, to parents Hiram James and Gladys Wright Bellinger. Betty was a loving daughter, sister, aunt and friend. She was preceded in death by her sister, Clara May Schlafer; husband, Marvin "Mort" Walter Becker; and husband, Graham Austin. She is survived by stepson, Gene Austin; nephews, Jeff Schlafer, Bill Schlafer (Deborah) and Bob Schlafer (Robin); niece, Linda Lanier; grandnieces, Amanda Schlafer, Megan Schlafer, Jordan Schlafer, Grace Schlafer and Julie Schlafer; and grandnephews, Sean Moody, Ryan Lanier and Troy Schlafer. Betty moved to Portland as a teenager where she remained until her death. She provided business support to husband, Graham, a co-owner of All-Sports, a wholesale sporting goods company. Betty and Graham loved to shoot trap, hunt and fish. They continued enjoying these activities until Graham's passing in 1985. She was very fortunate to know Mort Becker, through trap shooting and other activities, who was also widowed, and they married in 1988. Betty and Mort continued to enjoy outdoor activities including short RV trips for a few years but eventually slowed down. With Mort's passing in 2007, Betty spent her final years as a widow receiving lots of love and support from lifelong friends and family. Betty had the gift of caring for others and often throughout her life found herself in these situations. She was meticulous in providing both physical and emotional support. No one could have had a better caregiver. Betty was also generous to a fault, always giving an unexpected gift or needed support at just the right time. Betty will be greatly missed by all that knew her. Visitation with the family will be held from 10 a.m. - noon Tuesday, Dec. 17, 2013, at Riverview Cemetery Funeral Home. A graveside service and interment will be held immediately following the visitation in Riverview Cemetery.

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