



## Lou Rank

April 11, 1927 - January 5, 2021

Lou Rank died peacefully at home in Corvallis, Oregon on January 5, 2021 with her daughter Louann at her side. She was 93 and had a long and loving life. She is survived by her beloved children Louann, Carol, Lori and Tom, dear grandchildren Evan, Jon and Sam, and loving step-grandchildren Emma and Sean. Lou was, as one close friend said, 'beautiful inside and out' and very devoted to her family.

Lou, as she preferred to be called, was born Velma Louida Leckband on April 11, 1927 in Riceville, Iowa where she had a happy childhood with her twin, Velda, and her older siblings, Paul, Pauline and Bernita. Her father was a Lutheran minister and to her parents and their children, the church was always central to their lives. Lou was a member of Peace Lutheran Church in Philomath, Oregon.

She met Bob Rank in 1948 in Washington DC and they were married for 58 years until he passed away in 2006. Lou and Bob lived in San Ramon, California for many years and Lou had an enjoyable career as a librarian for the Walnut Creek School District.

They retired to Willits, California in 1988 and both became active with the Willits Senior Center. When they moved to Willits, the Senior Center operated a small thrift shop, which Lou and other dedicated volunteers worked to

expand into a new building and make it a big part of the community.

Lou was a kind and graceful woman who is much missed and will always be in our hearts.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her name may be made to the Chintimini Wildlife Center, 311 NW Lewisburg Avenue, Corvallis, Oregon 97330.

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“ She was such a lovely woman enjoyed talking with her when I could  
RIP Lou

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“ *My brother chose his wife well. Lou was a great sister-in-law and my parents liked her too.*

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“ *Our condolences to the family - Pacific View Memorial Staff*



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“ *I remember Lou for being positive, and encouraging. Over the years I/we would stop by on various travels, and she was always interested in where we went, what we saw. (Often, breakfast was involved). And although I never saw her fishing, the fact that family stories had her as the kid who asked/made/tricked her siblings into going fishing with her (in the world-famous Wapsipinicon) endeared her to this fisherman's heart. I uploaded a picture of some Leckband family at our Truckee house in 2004, including Lou and Bob. Good memories!*

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“ *Here are the twin sisters, (or sin twisters as they called themselves!) Velda and Lou, on a trip to their hometown of Riceville Iowa for their 80th birthday. They are in front of the church their father was minister, and of course the mighty Wapsipinicon river where they played as kids.*

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