



Ruth Eleanor Knapp

October 5, 1919 - August 31, 2015

Ruth Eleanor Knapp, 95, was born in St. Helens, Oregon on Oct. 5, 1919, to Oscar and Hilda (Larson) Lewis. She passed away on August 31, 2015 at Hillside Place, a senior living facility in Lincoln City, Oregon. Ruth was a lifelong resident of Oregon.

After her graduation from High School, Ruth worked cleaning houses prior to gaining employment as a stenographer with the Dept. of the Interior for the Federal Government. She worked in the Bureau of Indian Affairs until her retirement.

On July 26, 1947, Ruth married Boeing employee, Robert W. Knapp, who preceded her in death on April 30, 2014, just three months short of the couple's 66th wedding anniversary. They had no children. The Knapp's made their home in the Portland area until their retirement, when they moved to Gleneden Beach, Oregon. There, they enjoyed many leisurely years until declining health caused them to move to Lakeview Senior Living in Lincoln City, Oregon, in January, 2014. On Feb. 15, shortly after this move, Ruth suffered a stroke which left her unable to walk or care for herself. She recovered her ability to speak, however, and continued to enjoy one of her favorite pastimes--sharing stories and visiting with others until just a few days prior to her death. As Ruth's health failed, she was placed in Hospice and moved to Hillside Place on Aug. 6th, 2015, where she received expert,

attentive care. Care Giver's from Aging Wisely With Heartfelt Hands lovingly assisted with her care at both Lakeview and Hillside Place.

Ruth is survived by a sister, Frances Merryman of Portland, and several nieces and nephews. A memorial service was held for Ruth's Care Giver's and friends at Hillside Place on Sept. 8, 2015. Private interment will be at Taft Pioneer Cemetery in Lincoln City, where Ruth will be laid to rest next to her husband. Arrangements have been made by Pacific View Mortuary in Lincoln City, Oregon.