



Clara M. Thomas

February 28, 1921 - January 2, 2011

Clara Malone Thomas
(Waterville Funeral Home)

Clara was born on February 28, 1921 west of Mansfield to William and Nannie (Fowler) Painter. She passed away at the Harmony House in Brewster on January 2, 2011 with her family by her side. She was the fifth of six children born to Wil and Nannie. She attended grade school at Enterprise and attended high school at Withrow. When she was eighteen years old she attended and graduated from Vetter Beauty School in Wenatchee. In 1941 she married George Malone of Mansfield. To this union was born Myrna and Myron. She operated a beauty salon in her home at Mansfield for many years. In 1951 they moved to Foster Creek to begin farming. In 1961 they sold the farm and moved to Farmer, WA where they bought and operated the Farmer Store, gas station, and post office of which Clara was the Postmaster. After the business burned in 1971 they moved to Waterville where she was employed by the post office. She also worked at the Hospital in Waterville until it closed. Later she moved to Leavenworth and worked at the hospital there until returning to Wenatchee. It was there that she met and married Sylvan Thomas in May of 1981. They lived at Bridgeport on Sylvan's ranch until they sold and moved to Wenatchee. During her many years in Wenatchee she was employed by the Eagle's Lodge as a receptionist. For fourteen years she cherished the opportunity to meet and greet many, many people. She has

enjoyed the friendships of many of those until her death. In March of 2009, she moved to the Harmony House in Brewster to be closer to her family. Throughout life's journey she faced each challenge with incredible strength. That strength and her dedication and love for her family will be greatly missed. She is survived by her son Myron (Marla) Malone and daughter, Myrna (Ken) Greninger all of Mansfield. Grandchildren: Daryl Greninger of Moses Lake, Dalene (Greninger) Waage of Gig Harbor, Michelle (Malone) Marden of Orondo, Marty Malone of Spokane. Five great-grandsons, six great-granddaughters, four nephews, and three nieces.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband George, sister Edna Jensen, brother Orville Painter, sister Lois Wise, sister Vera Petersen, and brother Dale Painter. No funeral will be held at this time, but Interment will be at Mansfield Cemetery. A family gathering is scheduled to be held later. For those who wish, a viewing at the Waterville Funeral Home will be held on Wednesday, January 5th, 2011 from 10:00am to 2pm. Please express your thoughts and memories on the on line guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements have been entrusted to Waterville Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 5. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM (PT)

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