



Dorothy DeVaney

July 7, 1917 - February 13, 2015

Dorothy May (Waters) DeVaney, of Waterville, WA, went to be with our Lord on February 13, 2015. Dorothy was born July 7, 1917, in Green County, IA to Clair and Mary Waters. She was so small, she wasn't expected to make it through the night, but Dorothy was a tough little girl, who went on to live another 97.5 years. In 1935, Dorothy, then 19, and Francis, 18, ran away to Nebraska just over the state line to get married. Then, each returned home to their parents' houses and didn't tell anyone they had gotten married for some time. She went on to get her teaching certificate and did a couple years of student teaching in a one-room schoolhouse, but they wouldn't give her a school of her own because of her size, just barely five feet and not even 100 pounds, they figured she wouldn't be able to handle the older children.

Dorothy and Francis moved from Iowa to Idaho, where they lived for ten years and had three children, Monty, Stanley and Helen. Then the family moved to Waterville, WA, where Dorothy worked at the Bakery and cooked at various restaurants in Waterville. She was a Scout Den Mother for four or five years. She later worked in various fruit packing sheds until she retired. She also liked to write songs and poetry and even had one of her poems published.

She was preceded in death by four brothers, Charles, Merle, Bud and Dick; one sister, Fay Waters; her husband of almost 40 years, Francis DeVaney; and her first born son, Monty DeVaney. Dorothy leaves behind one son, Stanley DeVaney and his wife, Jacki of Wenatchee, WA; her daughter, Helen

Mires and son-in-law, Darrel of Waterville, WA; her daughter-in-law, Carolyn DeVaney of Waterville; her grandchildren, Michelle Mires, Linda Burke, Teresa DeVaney, Angela Lewis, Dell Mires, Keith Mires, and Kelly Mires; great-grandchildren, Jeff Glover, Dustin Mires, Carolyn Jane Morley, Cody and Shelby Molinar, Beau Lewis, Wyatt Mires, Jordan and Kaionni Burke, Maya Lewis, and Alexandra and Marshall Mires. Dorothy also leaves many nieces and nephews, who loved her very much. She was a great, loving person and will be greatly missed by all those whose lives she has touched.

Services will be held at a later date. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones-Betts Funeral Home.