



## Naoma Matthiesen

August 27, 1910 - August 10, 2011

NAOMA TUPLING MATTHIESEN

100 YEARS OLD

The oldest citizen in the town of Mansfield passed away Wednesday, August 10th after a brief stay in the Chelan Hospital. Naoma Tupling Matthiesen was 17 days shy of her 101st birthday. She was born to Ada Clark and James Weller on August 27, 1910 in Yakima, WA. At the age of two, Naoma lost her mother. Her father, a Methodist Minister, later married Rosa Smith and together they raised Naoma and her seven siblings.

In 1939, Naoma married Ernest Tupling and they made their home in Mansfield where they raised five sons – Tom, Bob, Jerry, Raymond, and Norman. In 1955 Ernest died and Naoma later married Lewis Matthiesen in 1957. They were blessed to share 28 years together before his death in 1985. They traveled, did some camping, and enjoyed playing pinocle with friends. Naoma was a loving wife and devoted homemaker and took great pride in the preparation of meals and the appearance of their home.

Naoma had an adventurous spirit and lived each moment to the fullest. She always put others first and was quick to help another in need. She enjoyed her many collections and had a love for flowers (especially pansies), animals (especially Tiny), country music, and watching Lawrence Welk and Days of our Lives on TV. She took pride in her appearance and always enjoyed having her hair and nails done. She was a member of the Senior Citizens, the

Grange, and the United Protestant Church and also a P.N.G. of the Rebekah Lodge. She was honored to hold the title of "Senior Citizen of the Year" and ride in the Play Day parade.

Naoma was a gracious, generous, loyal, and loving woman who always had a twinkle in her eye and a smile on her face. She delighted in making others happy. Naoma touched many lives with her gentle soul and kind heart. Her love of family could be matched by no other. Also known as "Grandma Louie", Naoma was devoted to her children, her 17 grand children, her many great and great-great grand children, and her numerous nieces and nephews.

Naoma is survived by her sons James Robert Tupling (Barbara) of Brewster, Raymond Wesley Tupling (Carolyn) of Spokane, and Norman Lee Tupling (Marilyn) of Mansfield. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husbands, brothers and sisters, and her two sons, Thomas Herbert and Gerald Arthur.

A Tribute Service will be conducted at the United Protestant Church in Mansfield at 2:00 p.m. Thursday August 18, 2011, followed by a Farewell Service in the Mansfield Cemetery. A gathering and dinner will follow at the Mansfield Grange Hall. If desired, memorials may be made to the Mansfield Cemetery, the Mansfield Museum and Historical Society, or the charity of choice. Please

express your thoughts and memories on the on line guest book at [jonesjonesbetts.com](http://jonesjonesbetts.com). Arrangements are by Waterville Funeral Home.

## Cemetery Details

### Mansfield Cemetery

Mansfield, WA

## Previous Events

### Service

AUG 18. 2:00 PM (PT)

United Protestant Mansfield  
Mansfield, WA 98830

# Tribute Wall

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“Naoma was everyone's Grandma. She loved to spend time with people. She loved to be involved with her town and her church-loving and caring for people. As her pastor and friend, I will miss her greatly. She was an inspiration to me and I can only pray that God will use me as long as He used Naoma. I especially thank her family for sharing such an amazing lady with us all!

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**Pastor Ric Bayless** - August 16, 2011 at 05:34 PM