



Daisy L. Bendickson

October 29, 1919 - March 7, 2010

Daisy L. Bendickson, 90, longtime Moses Lake resident passed away Sunday, March 7 2010 at her home. Memorial services will be held at 2:00 P.M., Friday, March 12, 2010 at Kayser's Chapel.

Daisy Lee Koon was born on October 29, 1919 in Fort White, Florida. She was the 10th of 13 children born to James and Jessie Belle (Rooks) Koon, and was the last surviving sibling of the family.

She graduated high school at Bell, Florida in 1939 and attended Massey Business School in Jacksonville, Florida. She bought a corner gas station/restaurant in Alachua, Florida, living in the apartment above the station and working the business. World War II began and rationing started. Daisy sold her business and returned to Jacksonville, working as a secretary at St. John Ship where liberty ships were being built to support the war effort. She jumped at the chance to join the Navy, becoming one of the first WAVES in 1943. While in the Navy, she provided clerical support and was ultimately stationed at the Tongue Point Naval Air Station in Astoria, Oregon. She remained there until the war ended and was discharged in 1946.

After the war, she returned to Seattle, working secretarial jobs, teaching typing & steno classes and later attending the University of Washington, majoring in Speech Correction. It was during this time that she met her future husband,

Marvin S. Bendickson. Daisy and Marvin married in Seattle on February 19, 1949, where they made their home and started a family, growing to four children over 10 years (Dennis, Kenneth, Linda and Carol). In 1959, the family moved to Moses Lake, making their home on a small farm in Cascade Heights.

During over 40 years on the farm, Daisy raised a variety of livestock and mastered butchering chickens and rabbits, selling eggs, milk and meat locally. She always had a prize garden with plenty to share. She raised a family and still managed time to be involved with many school and community activities including the Grant County Fair, county poll work, 4-H and scouting. Marvin passed away in 1996. In 2000, Daisy sold the farm and moved to a smaller home in Cascade Valley where she remained until her death.

Daisy was a member of the church of Christ, a faithful Christian with a loving and giving heart that flowed abundantly. To the end she remained feisty and independent, determined, optimistic and industrious. She was happiest working outdoors, using her green thumb in her yard or garden, communing with God in all His glory.

She is survived by her 4 children, Dennis (Cheryl) of Burlington, Iowa, Kenneth (Fordinka) of Astoria, Oregon, Linda of Cheney, WA, Carol (Brad) Mercer of Scottsdale, Arizona, 8 grandchildren, 8 great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews.

Her bright smile and sunny spirit will be sorely missed and forever remembered by many who loved her deeply.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to the Veteran's Relief Fund, Attn: Van Fund, P.O. Box 7115, East Wenatchee, WA 98802 (ph. 509-884-3617)

Previous Events

Service

MAR 12. 2:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall



“ To my cousins,
I know the sadness we feel when we loose a loved one, especially a mother. I smile, (with a little tear in waiting) that she lived her life with that 'Koon zest and energy' that will live on in each of you. I cherish the memory of that last evening I spent with her, it was indeed special. Love to you all.

Diane##imported-begin##Diane##imported-end##

March 18, 2010 at 01:44 PM



“ Daisy - What a delight it was for me to see you last August while bringing my son (Rex -17) to Moses Lake for his 1st visit. We had a wonderful chat, reminiscing about our respective families growing up in Cascade Valley, coupled with catching up on what Dennis, Ken, Linda & Carol were doing, as well as my siblings. What a treat! You may be the only person I have ever known who either SMILES while talking or ending a sentence with a SMILE. You brought the good out in everyone because..... how could they not reciprocate with the kindness you had for everyone. It was an honor to know you and we have comfort knowing your GOD is smiling on you.

Warmest personal regards, Dennis##imported-begin##Dennis Richardson##imported-end##

March 15, 2010 at 10:52 AM



“ We were all so blessed to have Daisy in our lives for so many years. She was a good Momma to all of us. Daisy had beautiful penmanship and writing skills, We kept in touch through the years, esp after we moved to the Midwest by way of phone and letters. In 1997 Daisy attended Clown School in Wisconsin. She was a card carrying "Sunshine" the Clown and she enjoyed presenting her Clown ID card at airports etc. She came to Burlington for Jason's HS graduation straight away after Clown School. She had a wonderful time and enjoyed practicing her new jokes and esp clowning around with Jason which comes just as natural for him. Daisy would always include recipes, jokes or little verses and clippings in her letters.

In a letter dated June 11, 2001, as Dennis and I and all the family were planning and preparing to gather together on "the Mountain Top" to say farewell and scatter the ashes of "Dr. Marvin Selmer Bendickson", the Love and Sweet Heart of our Momma Daisy, she wrote these words, "Life isn't a destination, it's a Journey. We all come upon unexpected curves and turning points, Mountain tops and valleys. Everything that happens to us shapes who we are becoming. And in each adventure of each day we discover the best in ourselves."

Our precious Daisy would end her letters to us....

"Take care of yourselves and each other."

"Love you

Forever_your Mom"

One such letter read...

P.S. "Peace is seeing a Sunrise or Sunset, and Knowing Who to Thank for it."

Daisy was our "Sunshine", and we Thank God for her. I visualize her smiling face and her waving to us from a sea of Heavenly Daises!

Love you Forever, Momma Daisy!

Cheryl###imported-begin###Cheryl Bendickson###imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 04:12 PM



“ Dear Family - I have a picture that Carol took of the Koon Sisters from a visit Daisy made to Florida. I look at those ladies and know that we all could have and should have learned a lot from them. They were all beautiful people in their own way. I know you will miss Daisy every day, I know I still miss Fen, Belle and Caretha. Now I will miss Daisy, but I know she is happy now with her family who left this earth before her. Take care and don't forget to keep in touch.

Jo Ann###imported-begin##Jo Ann Lang###imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 11:29 AM



“ My heart goes out to you four "Bendickson kids" and your families. Daisy got to go on her own terms and that is wonderful. I feel so fortunate to have married into such a fine family, yet (selfishly) hate to see the passings. Do stay in touch. I love you.....Vicki###imported-begin##Vicki Lang###imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 09:35 AM



“ We can't wait until we meet up again with Daisy in heaven. She will always be to us the "flower of Moses Lake".
"As a father shows compassion to His children, so the Lord shows compassion to those who fear Him. For He knows how we are formed; He remembers that we are dust." Psa. 103.13,14. Our love and prayers go out to all the family of Daisy Bendickson, the beautiful christian woman with a grand smile.###imported-begin##Richard & Charlene Radke###imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 12:54 AM



“ We are all praying for the family. It's so refreshing to know that she is with her Father in heaven.##imported-begin##Brandon Houchen##imported-end##

March 12, 2010 at 12:50 AM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with all of you at this time. I have a great memory of Aunt Daisy attending our wedding, she was a very sweet person and will be greatly missed!
Sincerely,
Dawn Nicholson, and family##imported-begin##Dawn nicholson and Family##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 11:37 PM



“ Thinking of you all. I find peace in knowing Daisy, Belle, Fen, and Caretha are together again. It will be a big celebration for them. Aunt Daisy will be missed by many.##imported-begin##Jan Jeffords-Schenck##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 09:12 PM



“ Dear Carol and Family,

How blessed you were to have such a wonderful, loving and spiritual mother. May God comfort you all in your loss. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.

The Johnsons##imported-begin##Austin & Janelle Johnson and Family##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 07:22 PM



“ I lived in Cascade valley, knew Daisy some, and had daughter Carol in class as a teacher at Chief Moses Jr. High. I'm sorry to hear of your loss. I now live in Chandler Az. All my best to your family.

Ray Moore###imported-begin###Ray Moore###imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 05:21 PM



“ MY SYMPATHY TO FAMILY OF DAISY BENDICKSON. DAISY WAS A CARING AND NICE LADY. GOD BLESSINGS TO THE FAMILY. WITH SYMPATHY YOUR UNCLE---JAY###imported-begin###JAY P. BUSS###imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 03:02 PM



“ LINDA AND FAMILY,
SORRY TO HEAR OF THE PASSING OF YOUR MOTHER. IT HAS BEEN ALONG TIME SINCE YOUR SAFEWAY DAYS IN MOSES LAKE LINDA BUT WE REMEMBER YOU AND WANTED YOU TO KNOW WE ARE THINKING OF YOU.
YOUR FRIENDS,
LONNIE AND LINDA FUHRMAN###imported-begin###LONNIE & LINDA FUHRMAN###imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 02:03 PM



“ My thoughts and prayers are with you all! I loved Daisy very much!###imported-begin###Sherry Buss###imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 01:48 PM



“ Carol & Brad, I feel as if I knew your Mom just from listening to you. Mom's are the best friend you'll ever have. Just greet all those fond memories with a smile.##imported-begin##John Thomas##imported-end##

March 11, 2010 at 07:33 AM



“ We are so sorry for your lose. We know Daisy will be missed by all who loved her, including her Church family. Love, Glen & Nancy Joy (Monte Vista Church of Christ, Phoenix, AZ members)##imported-begin##Glen & Nancy Joy##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 07:41 PM



“ We will all miss Aunt Daisy. I am so glad she got to celebrate her 90th birthday with the party. Sorry I wasn't able to be there. We all know that she is in good company now. Love, Martha and Mike##imported-begin##Martha##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 06:39 PM



“ Your mother was an outstanding person. I am sorry that I never got a chance to meet her. She will live on in the kindness of her children. Carol...We are thinking of you.##imported-begin##Peg and Vern McCain##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 10:43 AM



“ I am going to miss "Grandma Daisy." I am thankful I got some one on one time with her in October, unfortunately that was to be the only occasion.##imported-begin##Jason R Bendickson##imported-end##

March 10, 2010 at 02:15 AM



“ Sharon and I wish you God's best in your time of sorrow. Remember, God is merciful and knows best in everything.

Trust God and his blessings to and for us will be infinite.##imported-begin##Granville and Sharon Prince##imported-end##

March 09, 2010 at 03:05 PM



“ Dear Daisy..... Wow, this gives me pause to think of the many times i have reflected on you and your family since we met in 1965. Uncle Odell had his livestock just across the street from your home in Cascade Valley. We were building our home across the lake on Marina Drive. Thanks for watching over those sheep; and also raising 4 wonderful and beautiful children. You have left a wonderful wake of charm, intelligence, wit and love through your family and friends you've inspired.. me included... David Miles Oman##imported-begin##David Miles Oman##imported-end##

March 09, 2010 at 10:05 AM



“ We wish to express our sympathy to all of the families of Daisey. It has been a long time since we have seen any of you but our thoughts and prayers will be with you upon the passing of your mother and grandmother.

Siincerely,

Lora Bendickson

Roger, Carrie and Families

Brian, Jodi and Families

Nancy Bendickson###imported-begin##Lora Bendickson###imported-end##

March 08, 2010 at 11:41 PM



“ *Dear Great Granny,*

This is your family from New York, you are and will be missed tremendously. You and I share the same birthday you always used to call and wish me happy birthday i will miss your voice and you cards. Love Isaiah.

It was fun comming to your house last summer and going to the water park. Thanks for letting us stay and get to know you we love you so very much. love Aiden###imported-begin## Aiden and Isaiah Bendickson###imported-end##

March 08, 2010 at 10:46 PM



“ Carol and Brad,
Our thoughts and prayers are with you and your family during this
time of loss.
With much love,
Bruce, Pam, Andrew and Evan##imported-begin##Pamela
Metziere##imported-end##

March 08, 2010 at 10:06 PM



“ Carol and Brad we are sorry to hear about Daisy. We know how
much you cared for her. There is never a good time for such a thing.
You all take care. Love Jeff and Shirley##imported-begin##Jeff and
Shirley Waltmire##imported-end##

March 08, 2010 at 08:05 PM