



Clair L. Walling

December 19, 1928 - August 8, 2017

Claire L. Walling, 88, passed away peacefully August 8, 2017 at her home in Bend, Oregon. She was born December 19, 1928 in Fresno, California to Milton Maxim Smith and Madeleine Claire "Dowdall" Smith. She is survived by her two daughters, Kathleen Lundy and Marjory Bowles, and her son, David Walling, 14 grandchildren and 19 great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert P. Walling, her sister Madeleine, and her granddaughter, Lauren Bowles. She received a Bachelors Degree from the University of California at Berkeley and continued her studies to become a Registered Nurse before her marriage to Robert Walling in June 1953. She was an avid swimmer and lover of music, especially piano and singing. She enjoyed painting, needlework, playing games with her children, and in later years, traveling with her husband. She served the Church with her husband for many years conducting Bible studies and as a Minister of the Eucharist, bringing Communion to those in hospital or shut-ins. A Rosary and Mass will be held on Monday, August 14th at St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, 2450 NE 27th St., Bend, Oregon at 9:00 AM. Arrangements have been entrusted to Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home, Bend. Please visit the online registry for Claire at www.niswonger-reynolds.com.

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“ My deepest condolences go out to the family of Claire Walling. As her hairdresser for at least 15 years, I came to know her and and Robert as Family, and I loved them and looked so forward to seeing them weekly. Even as Claire faded more from the world, she never lost her wonderful sense of humor. She was my friend and even though it makes me sad to see her leave, I am comforted knowing she is back with her Robert, who absolutely adored her and she, Him. They were a special couple in my life.

Linda Bradley - August 13, 2017 at 12:00 AM