



Jean Frances Holly

February 23, 1923 - March 29, 2018

Jean was born to Jasper and Ida Kanawyer in Reedley, California. There she grew up on her parents' olive ranch and graduated from high school in 1941. She married John P. Holly on April 19, 1943 in Reno, Nevada. Their first son, Doug, was born in 1946. Soon after, they moved to Bend and began ranching. Their second son, Alan, came along in 1951. After they divorced in 1968, Jean moved back to California and then to Honolulu, HI for several years. She then returned to Central Oregon to be closer to her sons and grandchildren, living in both Redmond and Bend over the years. Jean had several occupations during her life but none she enjoyed more than being a volunteer for the Foster Grandparent Program. She spent many happy years working at Juniper Elementary in Bend, Evergreen Elementary in Redmond, and then High Lakes Elementary back in Bend. She loved being around kids and helping them learn to read gave a real purpose to her life. Other joys included being with family and friends, gardening, taking walks, reading and watching all of God's creatures - great and small. Words to describe her would be loving, giving, kind, selfless, curious, independent, friendly, talkative, helpful and sometimes stubborn. She was preceded in death by her parents, siblings, ex-husband and newborn twins. She is survived by her sons Doug (Connie) Holly of Sisters and Alan Holly of Lebanon. She is also survived by Jeanie Holly of Redmond, grandchildren Treasure Lewis, SONDY Rexford, Beau Holly, Adryan Holly, and six great grandchildren. The family would like to thank the staff at Brookside Place and Heart to Home Hospice for giving her and us

comfort in her final days. No service will be held. Memorial Contributions can be made to The Multiple Sclerosis Society, 5331 SW Macadam Ave. Ste 290, Portland, OR 97239 or Heart to Home Hospice, 745 NW Mt Washington Dr. #205, Bend, OR 97703.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home

105 NW Irving Ave

Bend, OR

US 97701

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Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home & Greenwood Cemetery - May 18, 2023 at 02:33 PM

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Funeral Home Owner - August 07, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My husband Cliff and I are both so sad to learn of your family's loss. Jean was a very special friend. I met her about 4 years ago delivering her Meals on Wheels. We continued our special relationship since she moved to Redmond. I visited her regularly which was just such a joy. She was an inspiration to me. I loved her, and will miss her, but treasure my fond memories of our times together. Please accept our sincere condolences at this sad and difficult time for you and your family.*

Ann Price - April 18, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry to hear of Jean's passing. I have missed her cheerful smile ever since she moved away from Discovery Park Lodge where she was my across-the-hall neighbor. She was delightful: always optimistic and high spirited and interested in everything. She loved my little dog and really just seemed to love everyone. I know you all will miss her very much.

Karin Heiser - April 17, 2018 at 12:00 AM