



Laura Elizabeth Tofte

June 28, 1928 - May 19, 2019

Laura Elizabeth Tofte, age 90, passed away peacefully in Bend, OR on Sunday, May 19. Laura was born on June 28, 1928 in Fitchburg, MA to Oren and Mina Kidder and was the eldest of 5 siblings. The family settled in Leominster, MA where Laura graduated High School. She went on to graduate with a B.S. in Business Administration from Boston University. After college she joined the American Red Cross and was stationed in Germany. While skiing with friends in Alaska she was introduced to a young Major in the Air Force named Odeane Tofte. Laura and Odeane were married on December 27, 1958 in Anchorage, AK and together they had two sons. They settled in Salem, OR to raise the family where Laura enjoyed a long and successful career in Real Estate. She was also active in the community as President of the Salem Symphony Association. She loved playing Bridge and the piano (self taught by ear), gourmet cooking, skiing and traveling the world. Laura and Odeane retired to Saddlebrook, AZ where they spent 20 years being close to her dear sister, nieces and nephew. They moved to Bend in 2017 to be near their boys once again. Laura was known for her competitive "can do" attitude, quick wit and her infectious smile. She always embraced a challenge and would most times prevail. Laura is survived by her husband Odeane, sons Dean (Priscilla), Martin (Karen), grandson Oden, sister Orena and several nieces and nephews. Services and being planned for a later date. In lieu of flowers contributions can be made in her honor to St. Jude's Children's Hospital. stjude.org Niswonger-Reynolds is honored to

serve the family. 541-382-2471

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home

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Niswonger Reynolds Funeral Home & Greenwood Cemetery - May 18, 2023 at 02:40 PM



“ *Laura Elizabeth Tofte*

John and Debbie Long - August 17, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *Laura Elizabeth Tofte*

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



“ *What a wonderful full and rich life Laura lived. She was respected and loved. My heart goes out to all of her family and friends who will miss her greatly.*

Jennifer Haire Koenig - August 06, 2019 at 12:00 AM



“ *You will be in my thoughts and prayers.*

Joy Mosier - August 06, 2019 at 12:00 AM

CM

“ *What a sweet soul. I'll always remember your beautiful smile and all the great stories. You will be greatly missed. Until we meet again. Love and Light to the Tofte Family.*

Colena McDougal - May 22, 2019 at 12:00 AM

FJ

“ *So very sorry to hear of your Mother's passing. Wishing you all peace and may your sadness be replaced by all the wonderful memories that you made all those years. God Bless.*

Fredy Jenkins - May 21, 2019 at 12:00 AM

DO

“ *Love & Prayers to your Family*

Deanne & Dana Ostwald - May 21, 2019 at 12:00 AM