



## Mary Jo Hunt

September 23, 1925 - May 4, 2012

Mary Jo Hunt passed away peacefully in her sleep after a short battle with pneumonia. Her family was grateful for the quality visits they shared before her passing. What a special lady. Jo was born in Lawrence, Oklahoma. After high school graduation she went to college at East Central State College in Ada, graduating with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. Jos parents, the Gregorlys, both being in education, made sure their 3 daughters also got degrees. Jo was raised in the Baptist Church and one of her favorite stories was of her grandfather, The local Baptist minister, teaching the girls to swim in the Baptismal Font. Jo met her future husband, Dean Hunt, while she was in college and he was in the military. At 20 years old, she rode the train to Bend and married Dean on June 29, 1945. They raised 4 children and enjoyed 60 years of marriage here in Bend. Besides having her hands full with 4 rambunctious children she always worked a full time job. Her jobs included the Trailways Bus Depot, Brooks Scanlon and 28 years with a local law firm. The last few years as the City Attorneys secretary. Furthering her education and her love of reading continued throughout her life. Even when her vision deteriorated from macular degeneration she continued to enjoy her talking books from Oregon Library for the Blind. The Hunts traveled the world. After retirement they became snowbirds, traveling the southwest. For 15 years Laughlin, Nv. called to them where they continually tested their luck. They were two lucky people and were loved by many. Jo was Worthy Matron of Eastern Star and was active in Star for several years. Her family was her main

love and hobby whether they were camping at the lake, attending go cart races, fishing or traveling. She is survived by Greg (Carla) Hunt, Bend Jerry (Peg) Hunt, Bend Diane Hunt (Woody), Bend Gary (Marlene) Hunt, Terrebonne. There are also 5 grandchildren, Chanie, Charease, Jeff, Rob and Scott and 10 great grandchildren Kailan, Karli, Makayla, Parker, Keegan, Jaxon, Rosie, James, Zack and Kaylan. A very special niece, Jana from Florida. She also leaves behind her sister, Joy, of Midwest City, Oklahoma and her family. She was preceded in death by her parents, a sister and her husband, Dean in 2005. A funeral service will be held Friday, May 18, 2012 at 1:00 PM in the Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Chapel. Donations may be made to Oregons Library for the Blind or Hospice.

Funeral Home:

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