



Rita E. Boggess

December 19, 1924 - June 23, 2014

Born the oldest of six children in Cincinnati, Ohio to Joseph Englert and Marie Schimian, Rita lived 89 years a mother, wife and devoutly spiritual daughter of God. An accomplished painter, she lived an artists life filled with beauty and a magical sense of the unseen world. A light and inspiration, Rita communicated peace, hope and kindness to all who met her, and lived her life with a fierce joy and determination unbound by age, tragedy or illness. In 1947 Rita married Paul Fletcher Boggess, a tall, slim practical genius and their strange alchemy of realism and faith yielded forty-four passionate and intense years of marriage and seven children who each inherited their parents interest in everything. Her life journey has taken her from a childhood embraced by her German emigrant family in Cincinnati, OH to a one-bedroom newlyweds home in Pittsburgh, PA to her first six children born in Lima, OH to a new life in Tustin, CA where her youngest son was born in her fortieth year. Retirement brought her to Powell Butte, OR and as a widow to Chapel Hill, NC and finally to Bend, OR where she chose to celebrate the last years of her life painting and enjoying her family and friends. Rita died peacefully in the embrace of her family after suffering a stroke. She joins her Husband of forty-four years Paul Fletcher Boggess and Daughter Julie Ann Boggess at her chosen resting place in the foothills of Powell Butte, OR. She is survived by her loving sons: Jeff Boggess, Bend OR; Tim Boggess, Laguna Niguel CA; Rick Boggess, Bend OR; Joseph Boggess, Brooklyn NY; Daniel Boggess, Walden NY and John Boggess, Chapel Hill NC; all her daughters by marriage, her thirteen

grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. A visitation time will be held Friday, June 27, 2014 from 3 until 5 PM at Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home. A graveside service to honor and celebrate Ritas beauty will be held at Powell Butte cemetery at 10:00 am on Saturday, June 28th. In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made in Ritas honor to Hospice House 2075 NE Wyatt Court, Bend, OR. 97701.

Funeral Home:

Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home New

105 NW Irving Ave

Bend, OR

US 97701

Tribute Wall

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“ *My sincerest condolences on the passing of you mother, Rita. Although I havent seen her in some time, I remember her as a lovely woman, and a talented artist. I came to know Rita when Paul helped charter the Prineville Rotary Club in the early 1980s. They were both people generous with their time and talents, and I am glad to have known them both. Sincerely, Stephanie Fahlgren*

Stephanie Fahlgren - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Sending my sympathies to the Boggess family in the passing of your beloved Mother, Rita. I was fortunate to finally meet Rita last year while visiting my Sister, Rae and brother-in-law Rick. Im so glad I had the opportunity to spend a little time with her. She was so sweet and kind to me. Ill remember her bright smile the most Sincerely, Terri Valdez*

Terri Valdez - April 03, 2017 at 12:00 AM