



Ruth Minta Hope

October 22, 1922 - September 24, 2023

Ruth Minta (Lance) Hope, 100, of Omak, WA, formerly of Medford, OR, passed away on September 24, 2023.

She was born October 22, 1922, to Floyd and Katherine Lance of Gold Hill, OR.

Ruth Lance was raised in Gold Hill through her high school years with a brief stint in Grants Pass, OR. She graduated from Gold Hill High School with plans to enroll at Oregon State University. However, her college plans were interrupted by the start of World War II. She began working as a civilian at Camp White Army Base outside of Medford, OR. Here she met her future husband, Sgt. Joseph Hope and they were eventually married on May 6, 1943. After the war Ruth and Joseph moved to Medford, OR. Here they welcomed their first son, Lance, on June 6, 1947. On May, 5, 1957, their second son, Bradford, was born.

In 1967 they moved to Spokane, WA, and then to San Mateo, CA, where Joseph passed away in 1977. After Joseph's death she relocated back to Medford where she worked in retail. In 2019, Ruth moved in with her son and daughter-in-law, Lance and Janice, in Omak WA, where she remained until her passing.

Ruth was a very independent and strong-willed person especially following her husband's death. She loved gardening and was knowledgeable and enamored with plants and animals. She loved the beauty of the Rogue Valley in Southern Oregon.

Ruth is survived by her son, Lance (Jan) of Omak, WA, and her brother, Bob (Marla), of Central Point, OR. She has three granddaughters, Gabrielle (Paul), Meghan (Tim), Marina, grandson, Joseph (Huiyi), step granddaughter, Andrea, and step grandson, Aaron (Marisa). She also has 2 great grandsons, Tristan and Nolan, as well as 7 step great grandsons and great granddaughters, Brenna, Owen, Gabriel, Jonathan, Sydney, Violet, and Nicholas along with numerous nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her youngest son, Brad, and a step granddaughter, Kristan.

A special thank you to the staff of Beneficial In-Home Care, Enhabit Home Health and Hospice, and the wonderful staff at Regency of Omak for the loving care they provided Ruth.

Ruth's ashes will be transported to Hillcrest Cemetery in Medford so she may lie at rest next to her husband and near her mother, father, and son.

Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Minta Hope*

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