



## ROSIE CHRISTINE HADEL

May 25, 1922 - September 26, 2015

Rosie C. Hadel was called home by her Lord on Sept. 26, 2015. She died peacefully at Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital following a brief illness with family by her side. She was 93.

Rosie was born May 25, 1922 in Coos Bay, Oregon, to Victor and Helen (Heikkila) Alto. Victor and Helen were Finnish immigrants who came to the United States in the early 1900s.

Although Finn was the only language spoken at home, Rosie and her seven siblings were expected to learn English and subsequently they were all bilingual.

The family assimilated into the American culture but they proudly remembered their Finnish heritage. In later years during family gatherings when Rosie and her sisters wanted to engage in “girl talk,” they simply spoke in their native Finn to the consternation of the men-folk.

Rosie met Russell A. Hadel Sr. in Los Angeles during a visit to her sister Sigrid (Sig). At the time, Rosie was working as a “soda jerk” at Watson’s Malt Shop in the L.A. area until she married Russ on Nov. 30, 1941 then she exchanged her malt shop apron for a homemaker apron.

Russ and Rosie had two sons, Russell A. Hadel Jr. (Bud) and Christopher P. Hadel Sr.

Rosie was very proud of her family and worked diligently to take care of them as evidenced by the loving way she unselfishly cared for her husband Russ as his long-term care provider until his death in 2000.

Rosie's hobbies included gourmet cooking (everything was made by scratch!), sewing, gardening, crossword puzzles, reading and staying abreast of current events, even to the day she died.

Rosie is survived by her son Christopher Hadel Sr. (Loletta), five grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and her daughter-in-law Judy Hadel.

She is predeceased by her husband Russ, her son Russell A. Hadel Jr., and all her siblings.

Rosie was a member of Peace Lutheran Church and the family would like to extend their tremendous appreciation to all our friends and Rosie's neighbors for all of your steadfast love, support and prayers.

Her selfless nature and love for family and friends will long be remembered. She will be missed by all who knew her.

A memorial service will be planned for a later time.

Arrangements are under the care of Chapel of the Angels Mortuary.