



## Ilene O. Hougham

April 21, 1931 - October 5, 2021

Ilene Odessa Hougham, long time Siskiyou County resident, passed away at Siskiyou Springs Senior Living in Yreka on October 5, 2021. She was 90 years old.

Ilene was born on April 21, 1931, in Mexico, Missouri to Carl H. and Minnie O. Kreder. In 1935 her family moved to the Carlton/McMinnville, Oregon area where she was raised and graduated from McMinnville High School in 1949. On July 2, 1949, she married Roland P. Hougham in McMinnville. Their first home together was in Orick, California, where they started a long career in the log and lumber trucking business. From 1951 through 1953 they owned a farm in Dallas, Oregon where their two daughters were born, but soon decided to return to the trucking business in California. In 1954 they relocated to the Yreka area where she lived until her death, working in the family business and raising their daughters.

Ilene was an avid quilter and enjoyed working in her flower garden, feeding birds and watching the wildlife on their ranch that they had purchased in 1967. She was a member of Beta Sigma Phi sorority for more than 50 years.

Ilene is survived by her husband of 72 years, Roland Hougham; daughters, Carlene Lenard of Bainbridge Island, Washington, and Karen Hougham of Yreka; grandchildren Gabriel Goossens in Bend, Oregon, Brett Goossens

(Chelsea) in Emmett, Idaho, and Brittney Myers (Adam) in Seattle, Washington; great grandsons, Branch and Canyon Goossens; and many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her father and mother, and her siblings, brothers Carl H Kreder, Jr., Wendell Kreder, Sr., sisters Marjorie Spooner, Myrtie Mehlhoff, and Ruby Lucas.

At Ilene's request, no services are planned. Memorial contributions may be made to Madrone Hospice, 225 Collier Circle, Yreka, CA 96097.

# Tribute Wall

BL

“*Karen, I am so sorry for your loss and for the family. I miss my Momma and Daddy every day.*”

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**Barbara Lipke** - October 21, 2021 at 12:00 AM

PS

“*I have been an environmentalist since 1984. I always appreciated how much Aunt Ilene loved the outdoors. May this tree be a loving memory of her.*”

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**Pamela Mehlhoff Schild** - October 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AD

“*Ilene was my secret sister in sorority at least 25 years ago. One of my presents was an arrangement of silk sunflowers in a basket. I still have it and remember Ilene all the time. She was a wonderful friend and sister. After my Clancy passed and I was packing to move, Ilene came up and packed my entire curio cabinet. Knowing her was such a privilege and an honor.*”

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**Ann Dutra** - October 14, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MC

“*She was a lovely person*”

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**Marsha Chambers** - October 09, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MD

“*So sorry for your loss*”

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**Micki Dressler** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RF

“ So sorry to see this news. My sympathy to the family.

Rita Fiock - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

JG

“ So very sorry to hear of Ilenes passing!! She was a beautiful Lady and always had a beautiful smile. She will be missed....💕💕

Judy Grensted - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SS

“ It was always a pleasure to work on projects ... usually associated with the CHVA siskiyou Region car club or sharing barbecue salmon dinner as neighbors. Lots of great memories. Truly sorry for the families loss of a truly special person.

Shari N Stanley Sandahl - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

MM

“ Love & prayers to all her family 💕🙏 many special memories 🌸

Margo Patton Madden - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

VH

“ Love and prayers to the family

Virginia Pease Hewitt - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Oh my I'm sorry to hear this. She was my neighbor when I was just a kid. She was always so nice to us. Karen, and Carlene you have my sympathy. 💕

Colleen Day Lawson - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Ohhhhh, 😞. Carlene and Karen I'm so sorry. She was a beautiful lady. I sure enjoyed my visits with them. Thank you for meeting there the first time. Roland, a squeeze hug to you too. Love to all the family.

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**Rebecca Helsley** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ Our sympathies to the family. She was such a sweet lady ❤️

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**Laurie Greenwood Helsley** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

AH

“ We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Girdner Funeral Chapel

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Ilene O. Hougham** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LH

“ A beautiful, wonderful lady and friend. Her smile was contagious and lit up her face.  
She made a difference in many lives! ❤️

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**Liz Hockaday** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ Condolences to her family.

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**Linda Keno** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

SC

“ I'm so sorry to hear this! Ilene was such a Sweet person and made the world a better place just by her presence and friendliness...  
Lord I pray for Roland, Karen, Carlene and her grandchildren and friends! Xoxo

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**Sheri Casson** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM

BN

“ Ilene and my mother we're good friends. She and her husband spent some great times with my parents. She was a beautiful person, loved visiting with her. RIP

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**Brett Nystrom** - October 08, 2021 at 12:00 AM