



Isobel Cade Krell

December 12, 1920 - October 24, 2017

Longtime Siskiyou County resident Isobel Cade Krell passed away in Yreka on October 24, 2017. She was just weeks away from her 97th birthday. Isobel was born in Wanganui, New Zealand on December 12, 1920 to John and Ada (Dickson) Cade.

Upon completing her studies at Wanganui Girls College, Isobel moved to Wellington to begin wartime work with the New Zealand National Service Department. It was there that she met and married Dr. Ralph E. Scovel, USNMC, in 1943. The couple lived in San Mateo and Marin Counties before settling in El Dorado County. Isobel was widowed in June of 1963. In 1974, she married Dr. Walter Krell and moved to Scott Valley. This marriage ended and she moved to Mount Shasta in 1985.

Isobel had a great love of nature and possessed a comprehensive knowledge of botany and ornithology. She was a volunteer at Castle Crags State Park and with the USFS in Mount Shasta. At age 81, she was awarded national recognition as the 2001 USFS Individual Volunteer. She had been surveying goshawks in the field in the Shasta-Trinity Forest for 15 years and was considered an expert. She was a lifelong supporter of many naturalist causes. Isobel traveled extensively throughout her life, always with a great appreciation of nature, indigenous cultures, and architecture. She was extremely curious and a diligent researcher. She was socially active and

belonged for many years to: Scott Valley Wanderers, Mt. Shasta Fiber Arts, book club and her Wednesday morning breakfast group that met for over 20 years. She was an extraordinary woman who left an indelible impression on those who knew her.

Isobel is survived by her step-daughter, Berte Olson, granddaughter-in-law, Betsy Pyle, great grandson Wesley Shumway, grandson Ralph "Skip" Shumway, step-son David Krell (Marilyn), step-daughter Michelle Malone (Larry), great nephews Jim Mullins (Janice), Jeff Lindstrom (Jackie), great niece Sally Harms (Don), several cousins in New Zealand and her many longtime friends. She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Thomas Cade, her husband Ralph Scovel, step-daughter Maxine Scovel and grandson Dr. James Shumway.

A celebration of her life will be held at a later date. Donations may be made to organizations reflecting Isobel's passions: The River Exchange, Siskiyou Land Trust or to Madrone Hospice.

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“ I am Isobel's oldest first cousin in New Zealand. I have wonderful memories of her visits back to her homeland when I was fortunate to spend time with her. When I lived briefly in California, she was a great help to me, and we shared times together. We corresponded on anniversaries and at Christmas.

I send warm greetings and condolences to her friends and family in the USA.

*Margaret Bailey
(daughter of Peter Dickson, the brother of Ada Dickson)*

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“ Isobel was a spirited, independent and interesting woman. I feel fortunate to have known her through book club and our shared love of Tennessee Walking Horses. She will be missed and remembered.

Sincerely, Dorinda Thompson

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