



Mary Kay Brister

March 3, 1925 - September 8, 2014

Longtime Montague resident Mary Kay (Kendall) Brister passed away in the home of her daughter, Kathy Crawford in Central Point, OR on September 8, 2014. She was 89 years old.

Kay was born in Long Beach to Guy and Phyllis Kendall on March 3, 1925. She met Malcolm Brister while working at the Susanville Ranger station for the U.S. Forest Service, and the couple were married in 1946. They moved to Montague in 1956, where she enjoyed raising her family in a rural setting. Kay worked for Arcata Lumber and Siskiyou Mills as a bookkeeper. She later worked for the Siskiyou County Welfare Department in the Food Stamp division, where she retired from, to enjoy life with her husband and family. Kay was a member of the Montague United Methodist Church and was so excited seeing the church grow.

Kay is survived by her daughters, Kathy Crawford (Wendell) of Central Point, Oregon and Phyllis Rudeen (David) of Montague; granddaughters Jennifer Terwilliger (Dale Melton) of Tigard, Oregon, Wendy Rudeen of Corvallis and Susan Oldenkamp (Josh) of Caldwell, Idaho; grandson Richard "Chip" Terwilliger (Morgan) of Central Point; great granddaughters Makenna and Jadyn Doramus of Caldwell; nephew Ted Kendall of Lakeside, California; niece Donna Silva of Redding; sister-in-law Eloise Oliver of Sylmar and step-son Bob Brister and family of Chico. Kay was preceded in death by her parents, Guy and Phyllis Kendall, her husband, Malcolm Brister and her brothers, Darrell and Jack Kendall.

Private interment was held at the Little Shasta Cemetery. A memorial service will be held at a later date. Memorial contributions may be made to the Montague United Methodist Church Building Fund, P.O. Box 187, Montague, CA 96064 or Madrone Hospice, 255 Collier Circle, Yreka, CA 96097.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Ron and I were saddened to read that Kay had passed. While we didn't know her well, we'd met on several occasions because she was a good friend of Ron's aunt, Charlotte Robinson. Charlotte and Kay had been longtime friends dating back to when Charlotte lived outside of Montague, and their friendship continued until Charlotte's passing a few years ago. Kay was a kind, lovely woman.*

Ron and Pat Black - September 20, 2014 at 12:00 AM