



Esther L Kwasney

April 3, 1931 - July 11, 2021

Esther L. Kwasney of Newberg, Oregon, passed away July 11, 2021. She was born in Bellingham, Washington, April 3, 1931, to August R. Tenaglia and Gertrude L. (Hohensee) Tenaglia. Esther was 90.

She graduated from Ritzville High School before moving to Moses Lake, Washington, with her family, where she met the love of her life, Paul E. Kwasney. She worked in the family business. She married Paul E. Kwasney in 1949 and resided in Moses Lake with the family they created until 1964, when they moved to Portland, Oregon. After their children were grown, Esther and Paul owned the Pit Stop Tavern in southeast Portland until 1994, when they moved to Newberg, Oregon for retirement.

First and foremost, Esther was a Mom, an excellent fisherwoman and a caring friend to many. She enjoyed fishing and camping, sharing these loves with all of her children and grandchildren. Esther loved cooking, and she fed and worried over her many family members and friends who all felt her great love and will miss her dearly.

Esther is preceded in death by Paul, her loving husband of nearly 60 years, her son Jeffery Kwasney, grandson Jerry Bjorn and brother Richard J. Tenaglia.

She is survived by sons Bruce Kwasney, Gary Kwasney, daughter Sharon Bjorn, seven grandchildren, 13 great-grandchildren and sister Ruth Kyle.

A memorial service will be held 11 a.m. on August 16, 2021 at Northwest

Christian Church in Newberg, Oregon, with reception, followed by a joint interment at Willamette National Cemetery.

Cemetery Details

Willamette National Cemetery

11800 SE Mt. Scott Blvd.
Portland, OR 97086

Previous Events

Memorial Service

AUG 16. 11:00 AM (PT)

Northwest Christian Church
2315 Villa Rd
Newberg, OR 97132
(503) 538-3104

Interment

AUG 16. 2:00 PM (PT)

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