



## Florence May Kersey

May 6, 1924 - December 29, 2017

It is with great sadness the family of Florence May Kersey announces her death on Friday, December 29, 2017, in Clackamas, Oregon, at the age of 93. Florence will be forever missed by her husband of 75 years, Robert Kersey.

A resident of North Bend for more than 65 years, Florence filled her life with helping others. A member of the First Christian Church for over six decades, she served as a deaconess, church treasurer, and Sunday school teacher and was active in Christian Women's Fellowship. Recognized for her service by Church Women United with the "Valiant Woman" award in 2014, Florence was also a Bay Area Hospital Auxiliary volunteer for many years.

Florence loved to create lovely things and was admired for her garden filled with dahlias, gladiolas, and rhododendrons and her colorfully decorated cakes, but she is most remembered for her love of music. From her selection as song queen in high school through her years as soloist in the church choir, Florence's beautiful voice was a gift she shared with all.

In addition to her husband, Robert, Florence is survived by four of her children, Ron (Carole), Teri (Dino), Barbara and Michael. She was predeceased by her daughter Janice. Florence is also survived by two granddaughters, Tami Harrington and Kristi Burghart, four grandsons, Daniel, Ron, Joshua and Nathaniel Kersey, and 10 great-grandchildren as

well as by four of her 11 brothers and sisters: Margaret Clarkson, Lucille Dunham, Howard Speer and Eugene Speer.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, January 6th at 1 pm at Attrell's Funeral Chapel in Newberg, Oregon, where Florence spent her childhood and where she and Robert first met. A burial service for family only will be held earlier that morning at the Fernwood Pioneer Cemetery, also in Newberg.

Details about a memorial service at the First Christian Church in North Bend will be announced soon.

# Cemetery Details

## Fernwood Pioneer Cemetery

500 S Everest Rd  
Newberg, OR 97132

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

JAN 6. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

Attrell's Funeral Chapel  
207 N Villa Rd  
Newberg, OR 97132  
(503) 538-2191  
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# Tribute Wall

RB

“ Florence and Bob Kersey were...and are...main fixtures of my childhood in North Bend. They were best friends and boon companions to my parents, Louise and Bob Bailey. Florence and my dad sang together in the choir at the First Christian Church. We could always rely on Florence to knock it out of the park. They spent endless evenings playing cards and yakking with other friends as well. Florence was mom to me and my sisters. She was always there to help care for us. After my dad died in 1986, my mom remarried...his brother Alan...and Florence and Bob embraced embraced him and my mom. Again, endless evenings of friendship and Mexican Dominoes, after-church brunch at Sizzler. Weddings, funerals, birthdays were all celebrated with Florence and Bob. My sisters Marilyn, Suzy and Heidi Sue and I extend our deepest sympathies to the Kersey family and wish the fondest farewell to Florence. We will see you again, Florence.

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**Robert Bailey** - January 05, 2018 at 09:06 PM

BB

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of Florence. I was a childhood friend of Barbara Kersey and spent a lot of time at the Kersey home. Wonderful people! I have many happy memories.

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**Becky Beebe** - January 05, 2018 at 05:01 PM



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**Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel** - January 05, 2018 at 02:01 PM