



Frances A. Coffield

March 1, 1926 - April 30, 2019

FRANCES O COFFIELD, passed quietly at home, surrounded by loving family and friends. Born in Portland to James and Edith Ormandy, she was 93 years young. A graduate of Catlin Gable High, she attended OSU, majoring in Agricultural Sciences where she met William “Bill” Coffield. They married and graduated together. 5 1/2 years and 4 kids later they owned a 10 acre farm, in Springbrook, near Newberg.

Among Fran’s interests was boating on the family’s “home-made cabin cruiser, Girl Scout leadership, dance club and a greeting business (HI NEIGHBOR) with her best friend Marian Watt. An original founder and 27 year employee of Chehalem Park and Rec District, she retired as Admin. Assistant.

The Columbus Day Storm, 1962, leveled a shed that was soon replaced by a horse barn. To the delight of their kids, the “Chehalem Appaloosa Ranch” was born and quickly filled to capacity. Bill and Fran were avid riders, and 4-H supporters as well as cheerleaders for their children’s sporting, school and club events. With Kids off to College, the couple planted wine grapes, added a hot tub and became “empty nesters”. They traveled to warm climates and began visiting kids who scattered cross-country. Fran’s love of Tennis was reborn as teacher and competitor. With Bill, his wine and her team at her side, she entered local and national tournaments playing until late into her 70’s, She won many Divisional Championships and Senior Olympic Gold medals in both singles and doubles. A tennis court in Jaquith Park, Newberg is named in her honor. In 1998, they sold the farm and moved to Summerfield in Tigard.

Fran continued riding in a local stable until her early 80's. She was involved in many committees, book club and choir. LOTS of Golf was played.

Married for 57 years, Bill passed in 2002. "Frannie" continued traveling with friends. She climbed the Great Wall, kissed the Blarney Stone, boated the Rhine, ran sled dogs in Alaska and was even involved in a Buffalo round-up in the Dakotas. Through life, there were many happy trips and family reunions on her beloved Oregon Coast.

Frannie's passing was preceded by her loving Bill, her parents, sister (Janet) and many dear family and friends. Their children, Sandra Henderson (Silverton), David (NJ), Susie Coffield (Alaska) and Ronald (Boise) have thus far survived all danger. She leaves 5 grandchildren, 13 great-grand children and was dearly loved by many others.

A "Celebration of Life" will be held June 30th, (2pm) in Summerfield Clubhouse, 10650 SW Summerfield Dr, Tigard, OR. Bring party hats and Frannie stories. Having enjoyed her own flower garden, she would have loved any cut flowers from your own garden that could be shared at her Celebration.

Donations may be made to Columbia Riverkeepers in her name.

Cemetery Details

River View Cemetery

0300 SW Taylors Ferry Rd
Portland, OR 97219
<http://www.riverviewcemetery.org>

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN **30**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (PT)

Summerfield Clubhouse
10650 SW Summerfield Dr.
Tigard, OR 97224

Tribute Wall



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