



## Kathleen Louise Twenge

March 20, 1920 - May 31, 2011

Kathleen (Kay) Louise Twenge Our Mother, Kathleen Twenge, was born to Elizabeth (Luttrell) and Luther Stout on March 20, 1920 in Mascot, Tennessee, the tenth of eleven children. Their large family moved by train to Joseph, Oregon when she was just three months old. The family lived in that area until 1925 when they moved to Portland. She attended Kennedy Grade School all eight years then two years at Jefferson High School. In 1936 they moved to Wishram, Washington when our grandfather went to work for the railroad. She graduated from Wishram, Washington High School in 1938; a class of only two students. After graduation, she worked at various jobs for about two years then moved to Portland in 1940 to work for Montgomery Ward. In 1943 she went to work for Willamette Iron and Steel as a welder in the shipyards where she met our Father, her Forever Love, Harold. After a brief courtship, they married on May 30, 1943 and settled in Portland. She continued to work for a few months, and then excitedly discovered they were expecting their first child so she quit work to stay home to begin raising their family. They lived in Portland for two years, and then moved to Newberg in 1945, where they happily remained together for the next fifty-eight years. Kay was a stay at home mom most of her life, working occasionally during the local berry and nut harvests. A very busy mom with four children to raise, she was involved with PTA and an active member of Zion Lutheran Church where she helped for many years to plan and coordinate weddings. After we were grown she worked as a lecturer for Weight Watchers for five years. Mom's and Dad's

greatest source of pride was the large extended family they created together. They were the guiding force in the Twenge family for nearly sixty years, setting an excellent example for us all. And Mom continued to be a strong and faithful presence in our lives through the eight years after Dad passed on. On Saturday, May 28, 2011 she suffered a paralyzing stroke. For the next few days we girls solely cared for her until late in the evening of Tuesday, May 31, 2011 she quietly passed from her earthly home to her heavenly home where she was once again reunited with her Forever Love, Harold, son Dale and all her loved ones and friends who went before her. Our painful loss is truly Heaven's precious gain. Survivors include daughter, Jaci Green and husband Jerry of Portland; daughter Joyce Harris and husband Mike of Vancouver, WA; daughter Julie Kerr and husband Rolland of Newberg; daughter-in-law Sheri Walker and husband Curtis of Newberg; nine grandchildren; fifteen great-grandchildren and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by husband Harold in 2003; son Dale in 1980; her parents and all her siblings. A private family service will take place at Valley View Memorial Park in Newberg just prior to a public memorial service which will begin at 11am on Friday June 17, 2011 at Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel with Pastor Norm Olson officiating. Online condolences may be made at [www.attrells.com](http://www.attrells.com) Memorial contributions may be made to the Hospice Southwest, 100 East 33rd Street, Suite 201, Vancouver, WA. 98663 in lieu of flowers would be greatly appreciated. c/o Attrell's Newberg Funeral Chapel, 207 Villa Road, Newberg, Oregon. .

# Tribute Wall

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“ *your mother will be dearly missed she always seemed to have a smile and happy, she was always friendly to others god bless the family she so dearly loved she will be missed*

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