



Marie Linnea Fournier

April 10, 2015 - July 8, 2015

Marie Linnea Fournier passed away on July 8th, 2015 at the Copper Ridge Health Center in Butte. She was born in butte on April 10th 1924 to Emma and Gus Verling. Her mom's name was Emma Johnson and her father was Gustav Magnuson who changed his name to Gus Verling. Marie attended Emerson school and butte high. During World War II era she worked in the Portland shipyards as a welder and also as a meter reader there. She married Bob Jones and lived in a sheep herder's wagon in the Arco Idaho area with 2 children, Linda and Lloyd.

She divorced and moved back to butte. She met Robert Fournier through a border (Mr. Green) who her mother had taken in to live with them. Mr. Green had met Robert in a barbershop on Harrison ave. Marie and Bob took the bus to Helena and married on the anniversary day of Pearl Harbor Dec. 7th 1951. She was a lifelong member of the Scandinavian fraternity of America, the Rebecca lodge and the Linnea lodge, which was named after her by her father. Her father was one of the founders of the Linnea Lodge and she eventually served in all offices of these lodges . She was the custodian of Scandia Hall for years

Marie was a caretaker of generations of children and "nana" to many. She was an awesome seamstress and maker of crafts and an excellent cook. She loved animals and probably had 50 dogs and cats over her lifetime. Her last best furry friends are daisy and sunny. Many times she stated "sunny is the best dog I have ever had". Her parents came from Sweden. Her father was

killed in a tragic accident in the mines when she was a little girl. Other tragedies occurred with several young siblings. Marie was the last survivor of the original Verling family of Gus and Emma.

Marie was preceded in death by Robert at 98 years of age in 2007, and a daughter Linda Smith of American Falls Idaho.

Her surviving children are: son David Oberosler and daughter in law Victoria of Denver Colorado, son Wayne Fournier of Butte, son Glenn and daughter in law April of Billings, daughter Terri and son in law Steve of Butte and son Lloyd with unknown information. Grandchildren Stephen Kocher of Butte, Matt and Tori Kocher of Helena with 3 great granddaughters Kiley Leah and Allie and grandson Keith Fournier and Candice of Billings with great granddaughter Annabelle also granddaughter Kris Bock and Matthew Smith. There are numerous other grandchildren and great grandchildren

Traditional funeral services will be 10AM Monday, July 13th at the Wayrynen~Richards Funeral Home with interment to follow at Sunset Memorial Park. The family will receive friends at the funeral home one hour prior to services

Previous Events

Visitation

JUL 13. 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM (MT)

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Service

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