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Lee Anna "Lee" Adams, 84 Dec. 16, 1926 - June 14, 2011 v

COOS BAY, OR — A memorial service for Lee Anna "Lee" Marie Adams, 84, of North Bend, OR, formerly of Coos Bay, OR, were held at 1 p.m. Thursday, June 23, at Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, 1290 Thompson Road in Coos Bay, OR with Pastor Jon Strasman officiating. A reception followed in the Fellowship Hall. Cremation rites were held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Crematory in Coos Bay, OR.

Lee Anna Marie Adams was born Dec. 16, 1926, in Elk Horn, the daughter of Knud and Clara (Hansen) Jessen. She passed away peacefully June 14, 2011, in North Bend, OR, with her children and pastor at her side. Lee Anna was baptized and confirmed in the Lutheran church. She attended Audubon High School graduating in 1945. After high school she went on to attend and graduate from Thompson's Beauty School.



Lee Anna left lowa and moved to Oregon where she met her first husband, Arden Wedwick. Lee and Arden were married Nov. 4, 1950, and went on to raise six children. They lived in the northwest finally settling in the Coos Bay area in the early 1960s. Along with raising her family, Lee Anna was the secretary to their family business.

After their divorce, Lee Anna met and married Jerry Adams. They married June 28, 1980. Soon she became the owner of the Hair Co. beauty salon in Coos Bay, OR where she met so many wonderful people. She loved all her stylists and even taught them to make her "famous" apple pie. Lee loved to bake and was always eager to teach anyone willing to learn. Her famous treats included Danish pastry, apple pie and oatmeal crispy cookies. Lee Anna loved sports and was her father's "tomboy" playing on the girls basketball team during high school. Her nickname was Jessie. Along with baking Lee volunteered in school becoming a senior reader in the reading program. She loved to watch all sports but loved the Portland Trail Blazers and golf. She enjoyed traveling in her motor home and taking cruises. Lee Anna loved being a mother and grandmother, making it her goal to attend all of their graduations. This was one goal that kept her going later in life as she struggled with her health. Even attending in a wheelchair with oxygen after a car accident. She was a true fighter and will be missed by many. We love you mom!

Lee was preceded in death by her parents, both husbands, Arden Wedwick and Jerry Adams; her beloved son, Kerry; and four sisters. Edna, Verna, Luella and Martha. She is survived by her five children, Keith Wedwick of Long Beach, CA; Jana and husband, Gus Beaudry of Coos Bay, OR; Jill and husband, Mark Grover of Eugene, OR; Jodi and husband, Philip Emmerling of Welches, OR; and Juli and husband, Todd Churchill of Sandy, OR; three stepdaughters, Rhonda and husband, David Mendoza, Jerilyn and husband, Carl De Priest and Raedean and

husband, Mike Rhodes; her sister, Rhoda (Howard) Henricksen; her many grandchildren, great-grandchildren; and her beloved dog, Precious.

Ocean View Memory Gardens & Lee requested all donations to Gloria Dei Internship Program, 1290 Thompson Road, Coos Bay, OR 97420; and South Coast Hospice, 1620 Thompson Road, Coos Bay, OR 97420. Friends and family are encouraged to sign the on-line guest book at www.coosbayfh.com or www.theworldlink.com.

Crematory Coos Bay Chapel

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