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(great-grand daughter of Charlie Smith, early pioneer and settler of Smith Peak and Bonners Ferry), at Evergreen Convalescent Center in Carson City, on Nov. 2, 2005 after a long battle with diabetes.

She was born on May 7,



1910 in Saskatchewan, Regina, Canada to Ercel Inez Smith Stenerson and Julius Bernard Stenerson. Her parents, brother, Patrick Stenerson, sister Mildred Thorstad and niece Marlene Throm preceded her in death.

She grew up on the Smith Ranch in Bonners Ferry where she attended schools. She studied nursing and attended Grace Ball Business College. She worked as a secretary in Military Intelligence for the U. S. Government at Edwards Air Force Base in California and newspapers.

She was a homemaker. She enjoyed reciting and writing poetry, stories, news articles, oil and watercolor painting, preserving family history and belonged to many clubs. She belonged to Unity Church.

She married Robert Crist Depner in 1931 in Spokane, Wash. Four children were born of this union, sons and daughters-in-law Robert Charles and Carol Depner, Roderick William Depner, Kathleen Moni Depner, daughters and sons-in-law Marilyn Elise and Mel Huff, and Jan Laurine and Angelo Manconi. She married Clifford

G. Hill in Reno, Nev. They were married 30 years before he passed on Dec. 30, 1989.

She is survived by ten grandchildren (Laurie Billington, Charlie Greene, Michelle Sides, John Hugg, Michael Huff, Sgt. Sean McCoy,

Angelo Manconi, Jr., Krist Depner, Shane Depner and Karissa Samaniego, and 15 great-grandchildren and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral arrangements were with Fitzhenry's in Carson City on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2005. Burial will be at Silver Springs Cemetery.