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Louise Washington, 91



Louise Marie Sanders Washington, born April 19, 1912 to Nellie Stephenson and Walter Sanders in Burlington, Kansas, passed away Oct. 3, 2003 at the Extended Care Facility in Bonners Ferry, Idaho.

She attended Kansas University, received a teaching certificate from Emporia State Teachers College, and graduated from National College of Education, Evanston, Illinois.

She taught first grade in Burlington, Kansas, Elkhart, Indiana, Albuquerque and Littleton, Colorado and was a reading specialist at the time of her retirement in Littleton.

She enjoyed volunteer work, bridge, her family and was active in Delta Kappa Gamma and Retired Teachers

Association while in Denver.

In August 1995, due to failing health, she moved from Denver with her husband, Richard Washington, to the Restorium in Bonners Ferry to be near her family.

She will be greatly missed by her family and by friends and loving caregivers at the Restorium and ECF who were also family to her.

Survivors include husband, Richard Washington; daughter, Judy Dirks and husband, Larry; grandsons, Kevin Dirks and wife, Sheryl; Doug Dirks and wife, Lisa, all of Bonners Ferry; granddaughters, Debbie Dirks of Liberty Lake, Wash., Amy Nelson and husband, Lee, of Newman Lake, Wash.; and Beth Giffing and husband, Dean of Liberty Lake, Wash.; nine great-grandchildren: Casey, Kyle and Michaela Dirks, Derek and Mitchell Nelson, Tyler and Bryce Giffing, Ivy and Tucker Dirks.

She was preceded in death by her parents and grandson, Dean Dirks. Memorial are suggested to the Restorium.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Oct. 8, 2003 in the United Methodist Church in Bonners Ferry, Idaho. Internment followed in the Grandview Cemetery at Bonners Ferry.