

## Obituary

### MARGARET MERKLEY



Margaret Merkley of Blackfoot, passed away after a long life on Sunday, January 17, 2010 at the home of her daughter, Christine Hays, in Idaho Falls.

She was born December 13, 1918 in Paul, Idaho the daughter of Floyd William Fowler and Virginia Kroush.

Margaret lived most of her life in the Blackfoot area. She worked as a lab tech at American Potato for 35 years.

She enjoyed raising and showing Arabian horses, traveling in her later years and spending time with her family.

She is survived by her children, Leigh Ann (Bob) Lightfoot of Spokane, WA, Frosty (Ginger) Merkley of Las Vegas, NV, Christine (Jess) Hays of Idaho Falls, ID, Valerie (Kevin) Jamison of Blackfoot, ID; nine grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents, two loving husbands, Vearl L. Merkley (father of her children), and Marvin Anderson.

A graveside service will be held 11:00 a.m. Friday, January 22, 2010 at the Groveland Cemetery.

There will be a gathering for family and friends on Thursday evening from 6-8 p.m. at the Hawker Funeral Home, 132 S. Shilling Ave., Blackfoot, Idaho. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made to Hands of Hope Hospice, 1379 E. 17<sup>th</sup>, Idaho Falls, Idaho, 83404. Condolences can be sent to the family at [condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com](mailto:condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com).