

## Obituary

### Betty Jo Olsen, 88



At almost midnight June 22, 2011 Betty Jo Olsen passed away in the arms of her life long sweetheart, best friend and husband of 67 years, Leo R. Olsen.

Betty leaves behind 13 incredible grandchildren and 20 awesome great grandchildren and her three beloved daughters, Lyne Moro, Kimberly (Jay) Oberst, Tami (Brent) Curtis and one son, Kirk (Lyn) Olsen.

All of Betty's siblings: Ren Caldwell, Arnold Caldwell, Cliff Caldwell, LeGrand Caldwell, Jane Penfield, Abby Randell, Helen Anderson, Fay Wixom, Armeda Covington, Juanita Hone and Deon Murry as well as her father, Lorenzo S. Caldwell and mother, Mary Zumbrunn preceded her on her journey to return to her Father in Heaven.

Betty Jo was born in Blackfoot, Idaho on June 9, 1923. Growing up on the family farm near Pingree, Idaho, she was doted on by her over protective brothers and sisters. Betty was the youngest child and after the rest of the family grew she and her mother moved to a comfortable home in the town site of Pingree.

Betty attended school in Pingree and later attained a teaching certificate in Salt Lake City. She lived for a time in Southern California while waiting for Leo to return from the Air Force during World War II. After Leo's return they were married in the Salt Lake City LDS Temple for all time and eternity.

After their wedding the Olsen's settled in Riverside, Idaho and moved from time to time to different locations in Blackfoot, Idaho, Santa Monica, California, Salt Lake City, Utah and Quartsite, Arizona.

Betty was active in her Church and held several teaching and leadership positions. She was also active in community affairs and was one of the founding creators of the Blackfoot Festival of Trees.

She was a realtor and worked alongside Leo for years at Olsen Realty in Blackfoot.

Please join us on Tuesday, June 28, 2011 at Hawker Funeral Home, 132 S. Shilling Ave., Blackfoot, Idaho. The funeral service will commence at 12 Noon with a viewing with the family one hour prior to service, also the family will meet with friends and relatives the evening on June 27<sup>th</sup> from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. at the funeral home. Interment will be in the Riverside-Thomas Cemetery.

Betty's family wishes to extend special thanks to all the Applegate Hospice staff, who gave their loved one such loving care. Mary, who gave her whole heart and soul to Betty and Leo the last several years. She has become part of our family and we love and appreciate her.

Betty Jo will be remembered for her positive attitude, her bright smile, sense of humor and love for her family. To all the days hereafter, may they be filled with fond memories, happiness and laughter.

Condolences may be sent to the family at: [condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com](mailto:condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com).