

Obituary

Thelda Fackrell Van Orden, 90



Thelda Fackrell Van Orden, 90, of Blackfoot, Idaho passed away Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at the Willows in Blackfoot.

Thelda was born June 16, 1920 in Thomas, Idaho to Lewis Norman and Amanda Melvina Dance Fackrell. She spent her lifetime in Thomas, attending Rockford Grade School and Thomas High School.

On November 22, 1937 Thelda married Morgan Joseph Van Orden in Pocatello, Idaho. Their marriage was solemnized in November of 1942 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple. Together they had ten children, Leslie, Lonny, Dennis, LeRoy, T. Layne, Marion, Gaylen, Michael, Garth and Janet.

Thelda was a devoted wife and mother, she enjoyed her family, yard and gardening.

Thelda was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, serving as Relief Society President, Young Women's President, a primary teacher and ward librarian.

Thelda is survived by her sons, Leslie (Myrna) Van Orden, LeeRoy Van Orden, T. Layne (Karen) Van Orden, Gaylen (Ulene) Van Orden, Michael (Sheila) Van Orden and Garth (Julie) Van Orden all of Blackfoot; daughter, Janet Martin of Ammon, Idaho; daughter-in-law, Karen T. Van Orden, of Rockford; brother, Ivan Fackrell of California; sisters, Lois Worlton of Salt Lake City, Utah and LaRue Cox of Groveland, Idaho; 33 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

Thelda is preceded in death by her husband; sons, Lonny, Dennis and Marion; son-in-law, Steve Martin; brothers Arlis and Quinton; one grandson, Mark Van Orden and one great grandson, Colby Claire Van Orden.

A funeral service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, October 30, 2010 at the Pingree 1st Ward LDS Chapel, with Bishop Val Carter conducting. The family will meet with friends and relatives from 6:00 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Friday, October 29, 2010 at Hawker Funeral Home, 132 South Shilling Avenue in Blackfoot and for one hour prior to services at the church. Interment will follow at the Riverside-Thomas Cemetery. Condolences may be sent to the family at condolences@hawkerfuneralhome.com.