



## Ella Marie Christoph

January 14, 1935 - January 30, 2010

Ella Marie went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Saturday, January 30, 2010. Ella Marie was born January 14, 1935, in the Boyd District area of Chelan, WA, to Howard and Ella (Bonwell) Colver. She grew up in Chelan and graduated from Chelan High School in 1953. While in high school, she served as 1951 Gridiron Princess and 1953 Apple Cup Royalty. While in high school, she met the love of her life, Albert Christoph. Following graduation, she attended Kinman Business School in Spokane. She then returned to the Wenatchee area to work at Alcoa, following business school graduation. In 1954, she married Albert Christoph in Chelan, where they made their home for 23 years and raised three children. Ella Marie worked as a homemaker and secretary for First Baptist Church and Precht Rose Chapel. In 1977, Ella Marie and Al moved to Wenatchee, where they built a home and she worked as a receptionist at Wenatchee Valley Clinic, until retiring in the 1990's. Traveling to Georgia and wintering with special friends and family in Arizona, along with family camping trips, enjoying grandchildren, great-grandchildren and being an active member of Calvary Cross Roads Church, were just some of the things that Ella enjoyed most in her life.

Ella was preceded in death by her parents, Howard and Ella Colver; and sisters, Maxine Hastings and Lois Burgett. Survivors include her husband of 55 years, Albert Christoph of Wenatchee; son, Mark (Rebecca) Christoph of Omak; daughters, Stacey Christoph of West Seattle and Cynthia (Dean)

Crawford of Wenatchee; two sisters, Joyce (Bob) Lathrop of Wenatchee and Sharon (Gerald) Riste of Culver, OR; eight grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren.

Memorial Services will be held Friday, February 5, 2010, at 1:00 p.m. at the Calvary Cross Roads Church, East Wenatchee. Private Graveside Services to be held at the Wenatchee City Cemetery. Memorial donations may be made to the Calvary Cross Roads Church Building Fund. Telford's Chapel of the Valley is in charge of the arrangements.