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Ellen Carlson, 85, passed away peacefully on June 19, 2013, after a short battle with cancer. She was born June 29, 1927, to V.H. and Flora Stone in McMinnville, OR, where she was raised. She received a bachelor's degree from Linfield College and a master's degree in education at the University of Oregon. While teaching high school in Coburg (Eugene), OR in the early 1950s, Ellen met her future husband, John W. "Jack" Carlson, Jr. They married in 1953, then moved to Vancouver, WA, where Jack worked for Alcoa Aluminum. In 1961, the family transferred to East Wenatchee, where Jack worked at Alcoa's Wenatchee Works plant, and Ellen stayed at home to care for their three sons. After Jack's death in 1969, she became recertified as a teacher and began employment with the Eastmont School District as a teacher and counselor at Sterling Junior High. She retired from the district in 1989. Ellen enjoyed playing and listening to music, as her mother was a piano teacher. In the '60s and '70s, she played violin with the Wenatchee Orchestra. She loved to sing in the church choir, travel, sew and work on stained glass projects. She relished a good conversation and a good cup of coffee. Her later years were filled with close friendships and frequent visits to the Wenatchee Senior Center.

Ellen is survived by sons, Mark (Misa), Joel (Lisa) and Paul; and grandchildren, Thea, Zoe, Rachel, Emily, Amanda and John. She was preceded in death by her husband and parents.

A Celebration of her Life will be held at the Eastmont Presbyterian Church on Saturday, August 24, 2013, at 11:00 a.m.