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Jean Louise Blane, born April 5, 1922, in Spirit Lake, ID to Ramiel and Richie Nance, went to be with her Lord April 25, 2015. She grew up in Spokane, WA and attended Whitworth College for two years, studying to become a teacher, having to leave school because she began losing her eyesight. She met the love of her life, James B. Blane, at a Christian retreat held in Seabeck, WA in 1940. James ("Jim") joined the Army early in 1941, and when the U.S. entered WWII, his unit mobilized and he proposed to her before he left. He served in Africa and eventually in Italy, separated by distance the entire War, but not in their hearts. Upon his return, they were married April 6, 1946, and were together until his passing in 2002.

In 1951, Jean gave birth to a son, Robert ("Bob") who was a blessing from God to her and Jim, becoming their primary caregiver in later years. Jean finally lost her sight completely when Bob was in junior high school and needed special care. She was proud of her son when he graduated from Washington State University School of Pharmacy. She always cheered for the Cougs and loved listening to the Wenatchee Apple Sox on the radio, and the Seattle Mariners and Seahawks when they were on TV.

She was a sharp, intelligent, strong-willed woman with a remarkable memory. She regaled her family with many stories from her past, with every detail accurately given. She was a blessing to many, loved her Lord Jesus Christ and will be missed.

Jean was preceded in death by her parents; a sister, Virginia; her husband, Jim; and her sons, Robert James, Robert Wesley in childbirth, and Robert "Bob" Blane more recently. She is survived by three grandchildren, Janelle and her husband, Grant Eastland, Tiffany and her husband, Heath Leroue, and Jared Blane and daughter-in-law, Terri Blane.

Services for Jean are to be held at Saddlerock Evangelical Presbyterian Church on Saturday, June 20, 2015, at 1:00 p.m. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.