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In August of 1916, on a small ranger station in Horse Prairie, MT, LeMerne Louise Schroeder began her life. When LeMerne was school age, she boarded with other families, as the school was too far from the ranger station. She attended college in Butte, MT, where she received a two year business degree. She married William Sullivan and moved to Seattle, WA, where she fulfilled the role of "Rosie the Riveter" for Boeing's Seattle plant. In 1944, she gave birth to twins, Betty and Billy. In 1955, a contract to purchase a resort in Stehekin was finalized with a handshake and a thousand dollar down payment. Left on her own after two years, she continued on in Stehekin, fulfilling the contract and raising the twins with the help of a tight-knit community and co-owners, Curt and Burl Courtney. Once the final payment was made, they sold to the park service. In 1970, she moved to Ocean Park, WA, where she purchased and successfully ran a laundry mat until retirement in the 1980's. LeMerne was a Rainbow Girl and then a Rebecka for many years and attended her lodge in Ilwaco faithfully until she moved in with her daughter in Chelan, WA in 2002. She enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid walker, reader, and made many hand crafts. She was an excellent marksman and also enjoyed hunting, fishing and hiking.

LeMerne had seen the birth of four generations: her children, Betty and Billy; her grandchildren, Daniel, John, Deborah, and Zen; her great-grandchildren, David, Joshua, Justin, Joel, Caleb, Ricky, Michael, Beth, Sarah, and John Mark; and her great-great-grandchildren, Aiden, Asher, Stephen, Nevaeh, Markus, and Wyatt.

She passed away in her sleep January 11, 2014, at the age of 97 years and seven months.

At her request, no services will be held. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee, WA.