



## Lois Christine (Ruud) Stinson

July 28, 1927 - February 15, 2013

Lois Christine Ruud was born July 28, 1927, in Waterville, WA. She entered heaven free of pain on February 15, 2013. Lois was the second of seven children born to Carl and Eloise Ruud. She grew up on the family farm where she rode horses, whittled whistles and sang around the piano with her mother and siblings. These were special times because on a farm everyone had to do their working part. Her parents' guidance developed in Lois a strong work ethic that carried throughout her life. Lois attended school in Waterville, graduating from Waterville High School and going on to Eastern State College in Cheney, WA. Here she met Warren "Bud" Moody. Bud and Lois graduated from college in the spring of 1948, got married that September and returned to East Wenatchee where they both began their teaching careers in the Eastmont School District. Lois and Bud had three daughters, Ellen Christine, Claudia Joyce and Cara Elizabeth. Lois later went on to further her education by getting certificates in both Speech and Language Pathology and Special Education. Lois's life path began a series of turns when she divorced Ben and moved to Western Washington in 1962. She lived and taught in Olympia, WA and later in Westport, WA. While in Westport, she also owned and managed a commercial trailer park. Life events brought Lois back to the Wenatchee Valley in 1985 and she lived here until her passing. Her grandchildren and great-grandchildren were a great source of joy for Lois. She was always curious as to what was happening in each of their lives. Babies and young children easily softened her heart. Their innocence and unconditional love

allowed her to express her love openly and freely.

Lois leaves behind two daughters, Claudia Moody Wiggins (Jim) of East Wenatchee and Cara Moody Schroeder (Cordell) of Wenatchee. She also leaves three brothers; two sisters; ten grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her daughter, Ellen Christine Moody Gray-Walker; her brother, Carl Ruud and her parents, Carl and Eloise Ruud.

A Memorial Service will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Saturday, February 23, 2013, at Grace Lutheran Church in Wenatchee. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley.