

Gladys Lucille Anderson

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Gladys Lucille Anderson passed away in Crescent City on June 4, 2021. She was a 68 year resident of Crescent City. She was born in 1923 in Turlock, California to Anton and Alice Eklund and had two sisters: Viola and Pearl. Viola died of the Spanish Flu in 1919 and Pearl Wood died of a stroke in 1983. Gladys married her husband Harold Anderson (Andy) in 1950 and their two children were born in the old Seaside Hospital. Harold passed away in 1984 and her daughter by an earlier marriage, Judy Cowan, passed away in 2013. Her four children all graduated from local schools.

Gladys worked for the Department of Forestry in Klamath at Alder Camp and for a local accountant preparing income taxes. Gladys loved children and was a Girl Scout and Cub Scout leader. She also taught swimming and tennis and was active in local PTAs. During the summers the family would travel in their tent trailer, visiting many National Parks, campgrounds and state capitols across the western United States.

Gladys enjoyed the plays at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival in Ashland, Oregon and for almost 40 years attended three or four every year. She also did a lot of traveling in Europe and Asia and said that Turkey was her favorite place to visit. She was an avid reader and poetry was her passion. She had memorized so many

poems that she could entertain anyone who would listen for hours. She was also a good cook and won many blue ribbons in the county fair with her baked goods. Gardening was a hobby too and she was active in a local garden club. She was also a doll collector and loved sewing for them and showing them off.

She is survived by three children: Bill of San Antonio, Texas, Michael of Beaverton, Oregon and Melanie of Santa Clara, California. She is also survived by four grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

At her request, no services were held. After her cremation her children gathered by the ocean with her ashes and spread them at sea as she wanted. She had a very happy, long life and was grateful for it all. She will be missed by many.