Drennan & Ford Funeral Home and Crematory

Ardith Rose Batchelor

(March 22, 1922 - August 28, 2013)

Ardith Rose Batchelor, 91, of Port Angeles peacefully passed away Wednesday, August 28, 2013, at 2 a.m. at Crestwood Convalescent Center. Her two children, Jim and Cindy, were at her side. Ardith was born March 22, 1922, in Nampa, Idaho, to Violette (Davis) and Harold Stahl. She married Arthur Vernon Batchelor on July 3,



1941, in Palisade, Colorado. They lived in Clifton, Colorado, until 1952, at which time they and their four young children moved to Port Angeles. Two more children were born after that move. They spent many happy years on a dairy farm, where Ardith was Arthur's right hand with the animals. She also loved gardening, canning and feeding huge family gatherings. Their home was always open to relatives who needed a place to stay. As many mothers did during that time, she sewed for her girls. She was always busy working on something or helping someone in any way she could. Mrs. Batchelor is survived by her sons Jim (Becky) Batchelor and Larry (Terri) Batchelor, both of Sequim; and daughters Judy Johnson, Vera (Steve) Mayhak and Cindy (Keith) McFarland, all of Port Angeles. She is also survived by 21 grandchildren and 37 greatgrandchildren; her sister Leona Mayberry of Grand Junction, Colorado; and brother Charles (Sandy) Bowman of Eckert, Colorado. She was preceded in death by her loving husband of 59 years, Arthur, who passed in 2000; son Terry Duane, who passed in 2003; and daughter Nancy, who passed at birth in 1946. Ardith is also preceded in death by her sisters Mary Roberts and Violet Bouse, and brother Harold Stahl Jr. She taught us honesty by living it; hard work by doing it; love, laughter and caring by giving it to us all. Our mother will be missed, but she is walking with her Lord, and we, her children, are blessed. A celebration of life will take place at 2 p.m. Saturday, September 21, 2013, at St. Andrew's Place Assisted Living, 520 East Park Avenue, Port Angeles, where she was loved and cared for as a resident for the last six years. Her burial took place on September 5, 2013, at Mount Angeles Memorial Park in Port Angeles. Drennan-Ford Funeral Home, Port Angeles, is in charge of arrangements.