



Edith Byrd Tabor

April 23, 1904 - December 23, 2009

Edith Tabor of Vancouver, WA passed away on Dec. 23, 2009. She was born April 23, 1919, the sixth of twelve children to Pearl and Charlie Byrd. She grew up in the Depression. As a child, she walked 3 to 4 miles to school and back each day. She loved school and even having to quit school after the sixth grade to care for her mother who had broken a hip, she continued to "learn" the rest of her life. Edith married Oscar Tabor in 1934 and they had two girls and one boy in North Carolina before moving to Washington in 1943 so Oscar could work in the ship yards. After the war, they bought a dairy farm in Cherry Grove (Battle Ground). They added another boy to the family during this time. They sold the dairy in 1955 and moved to Ridgefield, WA. Edith taught Sunday School for many years and later taught at pre-school. She wrote a child's book during this time, telling it to the children. Some of the children would cry if they had to miss her stories. She worked at Memorial Hospital for 25 years as a diet aide, retiring from there in 1982. She cared for her husband for ten years when he was ill until his death in 1997. Edith is survived by her four children, Barbara (J.R.) Altig, June Nelson, Tony (Betty) Tabor, and Tom (Donna) Tabor; ten grandchildren; eleven great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren; two sisters, Doris Stillwell and Polly Reitzel in North Carolina; and numerous nieces and nephews. A memorial service will be held on Tues., Dec. 29, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at Evergreen Memorial Gardens Funeral Chapel. Viewing will be Sun. and Mon. from 12:00 to 9:00 p.m. Donations can be sent to the American Cancer Society.

Tribute Wall



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“ Our great distance apart kept us from seeing each other very much, but we cherish those times we did get to see Aunt Edith, like at the Byrd Reunion in NC. When we get past going, we still have the good memories. Our thoughts and prayers are with all of the family. Love from Bill & Maria Stillwell (Orlando)

Bill & Maria Stillwell - December 26, 2009 at 12:00 AM

JC

“ iam so sorry we have lost aunt edith but she lived a full happy life she is with my mother now our pray are with you

judy cannon - December 24, 2009 at 12:00 AM