## Barbara Kate Kononen Springfield, Ore. May 3, 1933-July 4, 2012

Barbara passed away in Springfield, Oregon, on July 4, 2012, at the age of 79. She born on May 3,

1933, Bud and Lenore Horn in Pendleton, Oregon. She was married to Lester Kononen, who passed away in 1986.

She worked many years at the Eastern Oregon State Hospital in Pendleton, Later

she moved to Salem, where she worked as a cannery worker. In retirement she lived in Redmond, Oregon, and later she moved to Springfield.

She leaves behind 7 chil-

dren: Lesley Watchman of Salem, Cherlyn Ornales of Woodburn, Mary Kononen of Salem, James Kononen of



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Redmond, Katie Kononen Of Salem, Kelly Raber of Mitchell and Molly Kononen of Springfield, Oregon. She has 26 grandkids and 25 great-grandkids.

She loved watching her grandkids and

great-grandkids play sports. We will be having a graveside service for her at the Olney Cemetery in Pendleton on Saturday, August 11, at 10 a.m. All are welcome.

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## strings class through the Oregon East Symphony. The a performance Wednesday at the Little Vert Theater in

Keeps project, which began in 2001 and reaches 650 youths each year.

"We're hoping to expand that program in the fall and start kids at a younger age," Muller said.

The beginning strings program has been targeted for fourth and fifth graders. The goal, Muller said, is to work in conjunction with the Arts Council of Pendleton and offer a Suzuki String Instruction program to younger players through Starting Stings Sooner.

For more information about the Playing Leeps music education project, contact 541-276-0320 or oesprograms@gmail.com or go to www.oregoneastsymphony.org.

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will learn how to make dolls or puppets, how to finger weave, how to weave on a basic loom and create a tapestry.

