



Obituary

Born: Saturday, June 1, 1940

Died: Tuesday, June 14, 2016

Katherine E. "Katie" Risley

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Katherine E. "Katie" Risley – a resident of Pendleton passed away Tuesday, June 14, 2016, at Ashley Manor in Pendleton. She was 76 years old. No service will be held. Sign the online condolence book at www.burnsmortuary.com. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton handled arrangements.

She was born June 1, 1940, in Pasadena, California, to William Lawrence and Ethel Marie (Nickols) Powers, the youngest of four girls. She was raised in California until the family moved to Pendleton, Oregon. She was a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. September 7, 1958, Katie married Forrest L. Baker in Pendleton, where they lived for thirty years, raising their four children. They later divorced. January 27, 1990, she married Earl Risley in Lacey, Washington. They lived in Bovill, Idaho, for almost fifteen years before returning to the Pendleton area. Her hobbies included gardening, both water and oil painting, and singing in church. She loved to travel (the beach was her favorite), go to the Pendleton Round-Up and watch old movies. She loved animals and bird watching. Katie had Alzheimer's for sixteen years, but was still in good spirits and enjoyed visits with her family. Her outlook on life was acceptance and tolerance of anyone as long as what they were doing wasn't hurting others.

She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Margaret "Peggy" Baker, husband Earl Risley and ex-husband Forrest L. Baker.

She is survived by: her sisters Francie Richards of Santa Fe, NM, and Carol Krieske of Sumpter, OR; her children: Katherine Louise Baker Blair & husband Robert J. of Pendleton, OR; Mabelle Marie Baker Colligan & husband Denis of Walla Walla, WA; Diana Lynn Baker Hall & husband Sterling of Hermiston, OR; Forrest Ray Baker & wife Kristi Wellington-Baker of Walla Walla, WA; grandchildren: Benjamin Joseph Blair & wife Casidy of Hermiston, OR; Kyle Alexander Blair of Pendleton, OR; Jason Allen Carter & wife Jocelyn Shinae of Vancouver, WA; Andy Allen Hall & girlfriend Frannie Fallon of Hermiston, OR; Daniel James Hall & wife Danielle of Medford, OR; Sterling Dean Hall of Hermiston, OR; Garrett Hunter Hall of Hermiston, OR; Annelise Katrina Baker of Walla Walla, WA; Anthony W. Wellington-Buttice & wife Kristina A. of Walla Walla, WA; and Nicholas T. Wellington-

Service Summary

No services to be held

Location: - *Not available* -



Buttice of Walla Walla, WA; and great-grandchildren:
Beowulf Joseph Blair of Hermiston, OR; Kai Sophia Marie
Carter of Vancouver, WA; and Brooklyn B. Katsel of Walla
Walla, WA.

