



On Saturday morning, March 21st, 2009, the second day of spring, Mary Estella (Summers) Roemhild, passed away. She was born in Pittsburgh Pennsylvania, on November 3, 1915 to Eleanore Snyder-Summers and Joseph R. Summers. She was the third of four children, with brothers Chuck and Jim and sister Marg.

Mary worked during World War II in an aircraft factory as a “Rosie the Riveter.”

In 1948 she met George Roemhild. Two months later on July 21st they married and moved to Orangeville, PA where George managed the Orangeville Brown Swiss Farms. They would have been married 61 years this summer.

In 1950 they moved to State College, PA. George graduated in 1952, at that time they moved to Bozeman to pursue further education.

Mary devoted her life to raising her two daughters and being a loving homemaker and wife. She was a Girl Scout leader for many years. She was also an accomplished bridge player and instructor. She enjoyed camping, travel, baking and her numerous friends. Her main passion in life was her extended family. Mary was known for her quick wit and wonderful sense of humor.

Mary is survived by her husband, George R. Roemhild; and daughters Jessie (Joe) Grooms of Belgrade and Sue (Dooley) Johnson of Bozeman.

She is also survived by nine grandchildren: Michelle Dodd of Belgrade, Eve (Vern) Parrow of Belgrade, Greg (Charlie Moore) Ward of Bozeman, Nickie (J.P. Silverstein) Ward of Manhattan, KS, Darek (Amanda) Grooms of Oak Harbor, WA, Polly Grooms of Belgrade, Danny (Suzie) Johnson of Denver, CO, Mike Johnson of Denver CO and Margie Johnson of San Diego, CA. Mary had six great grandchildren: Willow of Belgrade; Zack, Kendelle, and Christionna of Denver and Aidan and Riley of San Diego; and numerous nieces, nephews, and their families.

Holy Father, we thank you for Mary’s long and joy-filled life. She will be forever loved, remembered and missed.