



Bobbie Jean Dorvall

July 18, 1926 - August 3, 2025

Bobbie Jean Dorvall of Corning passed away Sunday, August 3, 2025 in a Chico Hospital. She celebrated her 99th Birthday on July 18th with visits from her family. She particularly enjoyed the mocha that her grandson Lance had brought her.

Bobbie Jean was born July 18, 1926 in Red Bluff, CA to Robert and Rosa Foord. She was raised in Corning and attended local schools graduating as Class Valedictorian in 1944. She eloped that same year with her high school sweetheart, Norman Russell. They settled in Corning where they raised their three children. Bobbie Jean was a proud olive grower for 70 years and was a lifetime member of the Native Daughter's of the Golden West.

After the sudden passing of her husband in Dec. 1970 she later found happiness with her second husband, Clarence Dorvall, and they shared 42 years together before his passing in 2012.

In April 2018 she lost her home to fire and moved to WestHaven Assisted Living in Orland. Some of her best days were spent at WestHaven.

Bobbie Jean was a testimony of endurance and had the capacity to get through whatever lie ahead. Her mind remained forever sharp and her memory of people and events never ceased to amaze her family and friends. She was an avid reader and loved to watch Jeopardy.

She is survived by her children, Andrea White, Corning, Bruce Russell (Mary), Redding, grandson, Lance White, Sacramento, granddaughter, Jennifer Russell, Redding, grandson, Ryan (Suzanne), Redding and three great

grandchildren. Preceded in death by her husband's Norman Russell and Clarence Dorvall, sister Elizabeth "Betty" Palmiter, son Gregory Russell and grandson Ryan White.

A private family service will be held in her honor.

Cemetery Details

Sunset Hill Cemetery

4470 Oren Ave
Corning, CA 96021
(530) 824-2255

Tribute Wall

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“ *She was truly a lovely lady who always had a nice smile and a pleasant word for you. A life well lived.* ”

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