



Maylo Toppins

August 15, 1918 - April 10, 2016

Maylo Smith Toppins, age 97, of Glendive, Montana, passed away on Sunday, April 10, 2016 at the Glendive Medical Center in Glendive. Memorial Services will be held at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, April 14, 2016 at the Silha Funeral Home in Glendive with Reverend Ruth McKenzie officiating. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

Maylo was born on August 15, 1918, in Glendive, to parents Charles and Carol (Harlock) Smith. Her father was a conductor and a brakeman on the Northern Pacific Railroad. Charles and Carol moved their family to Mandan, North Dakota where the three "Smith girls" grew up.

Maylo met the love of her life, the dashing, handsome outdoorsman, Robert Toppins and they were united in marriage on September 4, 1937. Together they moved to Glendive where they raised their family. Bob was eventually promoted to Chief Dispatcher of the Northern Pacific. He was also the Justice of the Peace in Glendive for many years. Maylo was always extremely proud of Bob.

Maylo was a fulltime mother and wife and was extremely active in the community. She was very devoted to St. Matthews Episcopal Church and was very involved in the church guild. Maylo was a member of the Republican Women's Club, knitting club, the birthday club and she served as the president of the Glendive Garden club. She spent many years and countless hours volunteering at the nursing home and the radiology department at the hospital. Maylo was widely known for her renown baking and cooking skills.

She loved working in her garden, knitting and going to rummage sales. Maylo enjoyed listening to music; Elvis and the Beatles were a few she really liked. She and her husband retired to a life of gardening and spent many happy years at Fort Peck, Montana. Bob Toppins passed away in 2002 and Maylo became a resident at the Heritage and eventually the nursing home. She will be missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Charles and Carol Smith; sisters, Betty Hoy and JoAnn Bell; husband, Bob Toppins; daughters, Elizabeth and Deborah; grandchildren, Tracy and Todd Sykes.

Survivors include her daughter, Tenley Toppins of Bozeman, Montana; son, Terry (Carole) Toppins of Missoula, Montana; five grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren and one great great-grandchild.

Memorials are suggested in Maylo's name to the Glendive Hospital Auxiliary, 202 Prospect Drive Glendive, Montana 59330.

Remembrances and condolences may be shared with the family at: www.silhafuneralhomes.com.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

APR **14**. 10:00 AM (MT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Maylo Toppins*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *I really enjoyed the years I was able to care for Maylo at Extended Care Unit at GMC. She was a delightful person who I will miss. With many blessings to her family, Tammy Boschee, CNA*

Ta Medley - April 29, 2016 at 01:25 AM



“ *Cindy Greiman sent a virtual gift in memory of Maylo Toppins*



Cindy Greiman - April 26, 2016 at 06:29 PM



Maylo was in the flower Club. Such a nice lady who I had the honor of caring for as her nurse @ Ex-tended Care. May her family found comfort that she is up in heaven gardening with husband. God speed Maylo

Cindy Greiman - April 26, 2016 at 06:33 PM



Tinley, I'm so sorry for your loss. My thoughts and prayers are of you and your family.

Vicky Davis-Noble - April 29, 2016 at 05:45 AM

SH

“ So sorry to hear of your mothers' passing, Tenley. You're in my thoughts and prayers. Shirley Jeffries Hegel

Shirley Jeffries Hegel - April 16, 2016 at 12:41 PM

DW

“ Dan, Amy & Isabel Wolfe purchased the Divine Peace Bouquet for the family of Maylo Toppins.



Dan, Amy & Isabel Wolfe - April 12, 2016 at 02:42 PM

SC

“ I remember Maylo from Garden Club. She was President when I joined the club. She always bragged on Bob's huge tomatoes and his raspberries. She is an honorary member of the Glendive Garden Club and will be missed. Our thoughts and prayers go out to the family. Sherry Corneliusen and the Glendive Garden Club



Sherry Corneliusen - April 12, 2016 at 10:08 AM

LM

“ Toppins Family, we are so sorry to hear of Maylo's passing. One of the last of the old neighborhood. We will keep you in our prayers. Sincerely, Leslie Johnson Micheletto



Leslie Micheletto - April 11, 2016 at 01:53 PM