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RUTH GENTILI OBITUARY

Ruth Elinor (Clamp) Gentili Ruth died peacefully on December 6, 2015 in Tacoma, WA, one month before her 97th birthday. She was born January 21, 1919 in Spokane, Washington, to Sam and Gladys (Hall) Clamp. Ruth moved to Tacoma when she was a girl with her parents and two sisters, Marianne Smith of Kirkland, who died in 1986, and Carol Warner of Olympia. Ruth married Leno Gentili in 1938 at Epworth Methodist Church. Leno died in 2006, leaving his wife and partner of 68 years, his "Ruthie". Ruth is survived by their three children, Ken Gentili (Sylvia; Martha-deceased) of University Place, Alan Gentili (Cleo deceased) of Lakeville, MN, and Joan Gentili Naymark (Rick) of Edina, MN. Ruth is also survived by her sister, Carol Warner, 17 grandchildren, 18 great grandchildren, and a large community of loving nieces, nephews, great nieces and great nephews. Special thanks to nieces Lynn Fitch (Earle) and Kathryn Ness (Eric) for their steadfast love, laughter, and community. The family thanks the wonderful caregivers at the Compassion and Care Adult Family Home LLC in Tacoma where Ruth spent her final years. Ruth and Leno built family connections and inclusive community throughout their life together, which Ruth continued during the past decade. Ruth's spirit will live on with her family and friends. There will be a private gathering in the summer to honor Ruth's memory. In lieu of flowers, memorials can be made to the Multicare Hospice Program/Comfort Therapy Program, 3901 S. Fife St., Tacoma, WA 98409.

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