



## Ruth Magdalena Williams

July 27, 1926 - March 19, 2019

Ruth Magdalena Williams, 92, of Portland, Oregon, died March 19, 2019, at her home.

Ruth was born July 27, 1926, in Portland, Oregon. She was the youngest of six children of George and Magdalena (Mix) Morasch. She graduated from Commerce High School and married her first sweetheart, Chuck Williams, in 1944.

She worked for the Oregon Game Commission as a secretary in the first years of her marriage. Ruth later ran an Amway home products business for many years, and encouraged other women in the business by forming a Women's Executive Council in Portland.

She received Christ as her savior in the early 1960's and became a member of Gateway Baptist Church in Portland. She was a deaconess there and served on various commissions as well as starting and working many years in a Sunday School class for children/young adults with special education needs. In the 1980's she joined the Oregon chapter of the American Historical Society of Germans from Russia and served as their representative to the national board. She also helped establish a vibrant research library for the Oregon chapter.

She cared about people and always had a heart to help those in need and encourage them to turn to Jesus as their savior.

Survivors include her husband; sons, Rodger (Karen) and Richard (Debbie); daughters, Terri Williams and Cherri (Scott) Warnke; 8 grandchildren; and two great-grandsons. They were all the joy of her life and recipients of her love and care. She is preceded in death by brothers Ed, Bill, Robert and Merlin; sister Aleda Pollack; son Charles and grandson Jeffrey Williams.

Memorial service will be held Saturday, April 13, at 2 pm, at Gateway Church, 13300 NE San Rafael St., Portland, Oregon. Live-streaming will be available at the time of the service via a link from <https://www.gatewaychurchpdx.com/>.

In lieu of flowers, expressions of sympathy may be made in Ruth's memory to The Arc Oregon or a charity of your choice.

# Cemetery Details

## Willamette National Cemetery

11800 Southeast Mount Scott Boulevard  
Portland, OR

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

APR 13. 2:00 PM (PT)

Gateway Church  
13300 NE San Rafael St  
Portland, OR

# Tribute Wall



“ *Ruth Magdalena Williams*

January 28, 2023 at 02:51 PM



“ *I saw Ruth at the beauty salon on 181st a while back. 90 and still a beautiful woman. We met through AHSGR, when I was studying Roth, Schimpf, and Gans, my grandparents. She was wonderful and I loved her the minute I met her. Love just exuded from her heart to mine. I still have an email she sent me years ago. So beautiful a message, I just couldn't delete it.*

*Chuck, know I'm thinking of you at this time and sending special blessings to you and wishing you warm and lovely memories of Ruth.*

*May God bring you peace at this time of grief.  
Linda Blake*

Linda Blake - April 08, 2019 at 03:51 AM



“ *I will miss your smile the most .It was the kind of smile that made you feel instantly warm and welcome. You where one of the nicest people I have ever known .Your where so kind and giving . And you showed so much love to everyone around you. And you where loved by so many.You will be missed by everyone who ever met you . Heaven got a real angel.*

Brenda Foster - March 24, 2019 at 09:12 PM



Tazzney  
Foster

“ *Tazzney Foster lit a candle in memory of Ruth  
Magdalena Williams*



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**Tazzney Foster** - March 22, 2019 at 01:13 PM