

Leonora Degnan



ORLEANS — Leonora "Nonnie" Josephine Degnan, 87, of Orleans, died at home Friday, June 11, 2010, a half-hour before her 88th birthday.

She was the wife of the late James Degnan.

Born on June 12, 1922, in Eastham, she was a lifelong Cape Codder. She was employed at Acme Laundry in Chatham, Ship Ahoy, Dories Restaurant, Westinghouse, Cummings Store and Cranberry House, all for many years.

She was the owner and operator of Nonnie's Restaurant in Orleans for the past 44 years. This was her pride and joy, and her customers were part of her family. She loved gardening, planting, and doing activities with her family.

She is survived by a daughter, Helen "Ginny" Kitch of Galena, Kan., and Orleans; a sister, Evelyn "Bernice" Nickerson of Chatham; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; numerous nieces and nephews; and her dog, Daisy. She was the mother of the late Christine Olson. She was predeceased by eight siblings.

Her visitation will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. Monday, June 14, 2010, in the Nickerson Funeral Home, 77 Eldredge Park Way, Orleans. Her funeral service will be held at 11 a.m. Tuesday, June 15, in the Orleans United Methodist Church, Main Street, Orleans, followed by her burial in the Orleans Cemetery, Orleans.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in her memory to the Orleans Fire and Rescue, 58 Eldredge Park Way, Orleans, MA 02653.

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