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Besse Kuhn, 95

June 5, 1900-August 1, 1995

Manilla - Besse, daughter of Peter and Jane McMahon Knott, was born June 5, 1900 in Manilla. She attended Manilla schools and was graduated with the Manilla High School class of 1919.

She moved to Cheyenne, WY, there she married John J. Kuhn. They made their home in Fort Morgan, CO after their marriage and later returned to Cheyenne, WY. She worked in sales of exclusive fine linens, crystal, clothing and furs. In 1983 she moved back to Manilla to be with her family. Her church and her faith were important parts of Besse's life; she was a member of St. Mary's Parish in Cheyenne and of Sacred Heart Parish in Manilla. In Aug. of 1987 she became a resident of the Manilla Manor Nursing Home where she died August 1, 1995 at age 95 years, 1 month and 27 days.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her husband; her sisters, Madonna Knott, as a youth, Alice McCracken and Nell Knott; her brother Roger Knott; and her brother-in-law, Lynn McCracken. Survivors include her brother, Joe "Irish" Knott (Dee) of Whittier, CA; her sister-in-law, Sue Knott of Oroville, CA; niece, cousins and close friends and neighbors, Jim and Rosalie Macumber of Manilla.

Funeral services were held Aug. 3, 1995 at the Sacred Heart Church, Manilla with Reverend Father Robert Gralapp officiating. Burial was in the Mt Olivet cemetery, Manilla. Casket bearers were Fred Blum, Dr. J.M. Hennessey, Loren Ferry, Kenneth Ewoldt, Michael Macumber and David Macumber. Ohde Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.