IN MEMORIUM

Evelyn Jacobsen Albanese

1927-2014

Evelyn Jacobsen Albanese, 87, of Casper passed away on Thursday, November 13, 2014 of heart failure.

Evelyn was born in Torrington, WY on August 25, 1927 to Gerhard and Johanna (Kirk) Jacobsen. She grew up on a cattle ranch west of Glendo, WY, graduating from Wheatland High School. She attended the University of Wyoming, studying liberal arts. There she met and married John Albanese in 1946. John and Evelyn lived in Billings, MT and Denver, CO before settling in Casper in 1962.

Their 68 years of marriage took them on many adventures as Evelyn accompanied John on many regional and international archaeological investigations. She liked to recount the story of traveling to Brazil where she had the distinction of being the first white woman the local Indians had ever seen. John and Evelyn also enjoyed traveling for pleasure; some of their favorite destinations were Greece, France and South Africa.

Evelyn enjoyed reading, working crossword puzzles, gardening, spoiling her pets, and spending time with friends. Her love of books extended beyond her own passion for a good story as she shared books with others through her volunteer support of Natrona County Library both in the library and through their nursing home volunteer reading program. Her sharp mind and keen intellect helped her solve the daily newspaper crosswords in record time, filling them in without hesitation or erasures. Evelyn was a talented flower gardener and had a beautiful rose garden enjoyed by friends, family, neighbors and deer alike. John and Evelyn had many cats and dogs over the years and she spent many hours laughing at their antics or relaxing with a warm cat curled up on her lap. Evelyn loved to gather with friends, either over a good meal or in the mornings for a little bit of exercise and a lot of conversation over coffee.

Services were held on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at 1:00 pm at Bustard's Funeral Home, 600 CY Ave., Casper, WY.

Memorial donations may be made to the Natrona County Public Library, 307 E 2nd St, Casper, WY 82601.