



## Dora Jean Helms

October 29, 1931 - October 21, 2013

Dora was born on October 29, 1931 in Las Vegas, NV to the late Horace & Gertrude (Tassie) Jones. She was raised and received her early education in Las Vegas. When she was 18 years old, she moved with her family to Bellingham WA where she attended Bellingham High School. She met Jack W. Helms while he was in the Air Force stationed at Birch Bay WA. They were later married on August 25, 1951 in Bellingham, WA. They made several moves to bases where Jack was stationed which included: Elmendorf AFB in Anchorage Alaska, McCord AFB near Tacoma WA, the Pentagon, Taiwan Korea, Germany, Crescent City CA, Lincoln NE, Hawaii and Malmstrom AFB in Great Falls MT.

After Jack's retirement from the Air Force in 1973, they made their home in Lynnwood WA. In 1990 they decided to move to Wenatchee WA to be near their children and grandchildren.

Dora leaves behind her children: John (Vicki) Helms from Cashmere WA, Judy Coleman from Portland OR and Jim (Grace) Helms from East Wenatchee WA. She also leaves her two sisters: Irene Pray from Mount Lake Terrace, Wretha (Jerry) Johnson from Arlington WA, as well as seven grandchildren and four great grandchildren. She is preceded in death by her parents, her husband Jack Helms (in 2007), her sisters Marjorie Bailey, Gerri Herbst, Marie Thornquist, and one brother Horace "Sonny" Jones.

A Graveside Service will be held on Saturday, October, 26, 2013 at 12:00am at Evergreen Memorial Cemetery. You are invited to view her online tribute at:

[www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com](http://www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com) . Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, Cashmere.