



Vera A. Kennel

January 12, 1917 ~ February 29, 2020

Vera was born January 12, 1917, to Matilda & Isaac Kennel in Clarksville, Michigan. After living in Michigan for 28 years, she moved with the family to Albany, Oregon. There she worked at Sears until she retired.

After retirement, her interests turned to gardening, canning, making and giving away quilts and spending time in the kitchen preparing meals to share with others.

While living at the Mennonite Village, she would take her daily walks, either outside or up and down the halls where she would stop and chat with other residents.

She is survived by Wilbur Kennel (Albany), Doris Delp (Bend), LaVerne Nofziger (Albany), Ruth Nisly (Salem), Delmar Kennel (Bend) and numerous nieces and nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

I've Climbed the Golden Stair

“When I have heard the heavenly choir
And left this temporal shore,
I'll thrill with rapture here unknown
As Jesus I adore.
Old friends I've known long years ago
Will bid me welcome home;
Delighted in that bliss I'll rest,
This earth no more to roam.
What joy will be my portion then,
All free from sin and pain!
With death forever past for me,
Don't wish me back again.
When you see this old shell of mine,
Don't think that I am there;
I've traveled on to live with God —
I've climbed the golden stair!”



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THE MASTER'S BOUQUET

The Master walked in His garden,
Plucking flowers along the way;
He plucked one of my loved ones,
To add to his bouquet.

My heart at first was broken,
At the loss of one so dear;
But the tears I shed just washed my eyes,
So I saw His way more clear.

My Lord has a need for just this one,
For the pattern He has in mind;
But it's hard for the rest of us to see
Why we must be left behind.

Perhaps we are not ready to go just yet
We may need to ripen more
To reach the full blown fragrance
My Lord is waiting for.

To each give forth a fragrance
To each we chance to meet
We should each be trying day by day
To make our fragrance sweet.

So I'm going to try my very best
To be loving and kind each day,
So at last I'll be counted worthy
To be part of my Master's Bouquet.

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Committal Service

*Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 10:00 a.m.
Fairview Mennonite Cemetery, Albany, Oregon*

Memorial Service

*Saturday, March 7, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.
Albany Mennonite Church, Albany, Oregon*

Prelude	Carolyn Heggen
Welcome & Prayer	Pastor Peter J. H. Epp
Congregational Song <i>"How Great Thou Art" (v. 1 & 2)</i>	Don Bacher & Carolyn Heggen
Family Sharing & Scripture Reading	Megan Jensen (great-niece)
Congregational Song <i>"How Great Thou Art" (v. 3 & 4)</i>	
Closing Prayer & Benediction	Pastor Peter J. H. Epp
Postlude	Carolyn Heggen

Everyone is invited to a luncheon immediately following the service.