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## Opal May Bridgewater Pitt

Birth: May 11, 1909  
 Bozeman  
 Gallatin County  
 Montana, USA  
 Death: Jun. 5, 2006

Opal May (Bridgewater) Pitt of Bozeman died Monday, June 5, 2006.

She was born in Bozeman on May 11, 1909, the oldest of 11 children born to Christopher Columbus and Esther Vera (Holman) Bridgewater.

In her early childhood, the family moved to Wilsall; she attended school in that area. She married Frederick "Fritz" Becker in Livingston on Aug. 22, 1927. To this union were born seven children, Marie, Walter, Ernest, Dixie, Buddy, Hardy and Ruthie.

She married Delbert Duane Bloor on March 24, 1945, in Bozeman. They lived in Wilsall, Bozeman and the Dillon area. Delbert died in 1952.

She married William Pitt on Dec. 9, 1962, in Bozeman, and they lived in Deer Lodge.

Opal cooked on ranches, worked in a nursing home, and was a health-care-giver. She also loved to travel. She loved to make candy for Christmas, and enjoyed crocheting. She had a large collection of salt and pepper shakers.

She was a member of the American Legion Auxiliary and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

She was preceded in death by her parents, three husbands, two sons, Buddy and Hardy Becker; two sisters, Ollie and baby girl Bridgewater; four brothers, Oscar, Otto, Orvaill and Bert Bridgewater; and grandchildren, Wade Becker, Charlotte and Raymond Flanagan, Elvina DeWight, and baby girl Keto.

Opal is survived by three daughters, Marie (Don) Walters of Missoula, Dixie (Donovan) Keto of Opportunity and Ruthie Rassley, of Belgrade; two sons, Walter (Carole) Becker of Bozeman and Ernest (Donna) Becker of Malta; two sisters, Oneta (Elmer) Otnes, Oregon, and Jean Emerson, Bozeman; two brothers, Raymond (Lola) Bridgewater of Fruitland, Idaho, and Frank (Verna) Bridgewater of Drummond; numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m. Thursday at Dokken-Nelson Sunset



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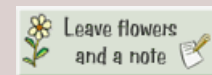
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