

Deaths and Funeral Notices

Virginia Marian Gruber
Dec. 29, 1920 — Dec. 16, 2003

Port Townsend resident Virginia Marian Gruber died from heart failure in her Cape George Colony home at age 82.



Mrs. Gruber

She was born in Los Angeles to Wallace Ulysses and Esther Mae (Whitmoyer) Norton Sr.

She graduated from Inglewood High School and Frank Wiggins Business School.

She married William O.

Gruber in Redondo Beach, Calif., on Feb. 7, 1941.

Mrs. Gruber was an engineering draftsman for Douglas Aircraft Co. in Hawthorne, Calif., and a secretary for schools in Redondo Beach before she moved to Port Townsend in 1985.

She was a creative person who enjoyed making dolls, sewing and gourmet cooking. She also liked to read.

Mrs. Gruber was a member of First Presbyterian Church, Rhododendron Grange, Order of Eastern Star and Daughters of the Nile.

She is survived by her husband; daughter and son-in-law Lynn and Ronald Chase of

Warrenton, Ore.; sister and brother-in-law Lorna and Timothy Delaney of Port Townsend; and two grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her brother, Wallace U. Norton Jr., and sister Louise Scott.

Services: Monday, Dec. 29, 1 p.m., memorial in First Presbyterian Church, 1111 Franklin St., Port Townsend. The Rev. Bob Slater will officiate. A reception will follow. Burial at Gardiner Cemetery. Kosec Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.