



Dagmar "Dot" Enid June (Rustad) Jorgensen

June 18, 1921 - April 21, 2026

Dagmar Enid June (Rustad) Jorgensen was born the 13th child of Thor and Anna (Hauge) Rustad in Cisco, MN on June 18, 1921. The family moved to the Milton-Freewater, OR area when she was 11 years old. She attended school in Erskine, MN, Milton-Freewater, OR and Auburn Academy in Auburn, WA.

She married James Jorgen Jorgensen on April 27, 1940 in Walla Walla. They moved to Milton-Freewater in 1941 and to Walla Walla in 1945. In 1969 they moved to Portland, OR and then in 1981 returned to live in Milton-Freewater, OR. Born to that marriage were six children, namely, Karen P. Hust of Clarkston; Joyce E. Hamblen (Dave) of Portland; Geraldine M. Lyons (Tim) of Walla Walla; Betty L. Tellado of College Place; Donald J. Jorgensen of Milton-Freewater and Larry L. Jorgensen (Karen) of Walla Walla

In approximately 1956, she started working at Newberry's Department Store in Walla Walla. In approximately 1961 she and her husband purchased Schaefer's Ice Cream store in Walla Walla which they later operated under the name of J & D Fountain Lunch. They sold the business in 1969 and moved to Portland, OR. Once settled in Portland she went to work for Purdy Brush. Returning to Milton-Freewater in 1981 she worked for Larson's Garden Store

until her retirement.

She was a member of the Stateline Adventist Church and was actively involved in Community Services at that church up until a few years ago. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1989, grandchildren Randy R. Hust in 2010 and Jeffrey J. Jorgensen in 2014 and sons-in-law Luis A. Tellado in 2008 and Calvin W. Hust in 2015.

She is survived by 14 grandchildren, 46 great grandchildren, 19 great great grandchildren, 8 step grandchildren and 6 step great grandchildren. A celebration of life will be held on June 18, 2026 at 11 a.m. at the Stateline Adventist Church, 53730 Stateline Road, Milton-Freewater, OR.

Memorial contributions may be made to: Gospel Outreach, PO Box 8, College Place, WA 99324; <https://staging.goaim.org/give-now>

Amazing Facts, PO Box 1058, Roseville, CA 95678; <https://www.amazingfacts.org/>

Quiet Hour Ministries, PO Box 3000, Redlands, CA 92373
<https://qhministries.org/>

or to the charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Stateline SDA Church Milton-Freewater

53730 Stateline Road
Milton-Freewater, OR 97862

Upcoming Events

Celebration of Life Services

JUN 18. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (PT)

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“ I wanted to make this website for my Aunt Dot, so the entire family could share memories, as she was my dad’s youngest sister and the last of her generation.

Dagmar Enid June “Dot” (Rustad) Jorgensen lived a life that spanned more than a century—104 remarkable years marked by faith, family, and quiet strength. Born on June 18, 1921, she witnessed a world of extraordinary change, yet through every season of life, one thing remained constant, her deep and steady faith in God.

Only one in 34,000 people will live to see 105 years. Dot’s long life was extraordinary not only in its length, but in the way she lived it—with perseverance, grace, and unwavering trust in the Lord. As Scripture reminds us in 2 Timothy 4:7, she fought the good fight, she finished the race, she kept the faith.

As the youngest of thirteen children born to Thor and Anna (Hauge) Rustad, Dot became the last living link to her generation of the Rustad family. With her passing just before her 105th birthday, a treasured chapter in our family’s story has come to a close. Yet her legacy continues, carried forward in the lives of those she loved, nurtured, and inspired.

Her faith was not merely something she spoke about—it was something she lived each day. Through her involvement with the Stateline Adventist Church in Milton-Freewater, OR, and her lifelong spirit of service, she embodied compassion, humility, and devotion. She met both joy and sorrow with quiet grace, anchored in a trust that sustained her through more than a century of life’s changes.

As a child, I have especially fond memories of visiting Aunt Dot. There was a warmth and steadiness about her that made you feel welcomed and safe. Those simple moments left a lasting impression, reflecting the kind of presence she was to everyone who knew her.

To live 104 years is extraordinary. To live those years grounded in faith, love, and quiet purpose is a rare and beautiful gift. Aunt Dot's life stands as a testament to enduring faith and the lasting impact of a gentle, faithful heart.

Today, we give thanks for her life, we honor her memory, and we take comfort in the hope she held so firmly—that in God's presence, her journey continues in peace and eternal rest. Aunt Dot left each of the family members an example that we could be safe in following.

Roger E. Rustad (nephew, son of her brother, George Helge Rustad)

Roger E. Rustad - 2 hours ago



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