

IN MEMORIAM
MYRTLE BLOOMFIELD



A remarkable centenarian, Myrtle Bloomfield passed away Saturday, October 21 at age 101. She and her husband Bob joined the Portland Dahlia Society and ADS in the early 1950's and became very active in growing and showing dahlias for well over 50 years. While Bob served on the PDS Board, Myrtle was a great facilitator and knew how to welcome and engage with new members. She was a very gentle and accepting person who was recognized as a great support to the dahlia world.

Myrtle and Bob first met in grade school and were married for 67 years until his passing in 2010. Myrtle enjoyed supporting Bob's hybridizing efforts and several of his best varieties were named after her (Myrtle's Brandy, Myrtle's Folly, Myrtle's Lace, and MBB). The Bloomfields were awarded the PNDC Gold Medal for Lifetime Achievement in 1998.

The above photo was taken at Myrtle's 100th birthday party in March, 2016.