

# Catherine Ann Murphy

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Ann Murphy, 95, of Jacksonville, Ore., passed away on Sunday, January 29, 2012. She was born on December 8, 1916, to Edward and Catherine Murphy, in St. Paul, Minn.

Catherine had been city treasurer and chief financial officer for the city of Arcadia, Calif., for 27 years. After retirement she moved to Groveland, Calif., where she could keep her airplane close by and continue her life long love of flying. She then moved to Jacksonville, Ore., seven years ago.

Catherine Ann became a WASP (Women's Air Force Service Pilots) class of 44 - 1 during World War II. She was with the Civil Air Patrol for many years. She was a mission control officer with a rank of lieutenant colonel.

Catherine was preceded in death by her parents, Catherine and Edward Murphy; brothers, Edward Murphy, and Roderick Murphy; and sister, Marquerite Veady. She is survived by her sisters, Patricia M. Paulsen, of Mariposa, Calif., and Fidelis Powers, of Sweetser, Ind.; also numerous nieces and nephews.

Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2012, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Jacksonville, Ore., at noon.