Louella Bishoff (1930 – 2000)

Louella Mae Bishoff, 69, passed away of heart failure April 12, 2000, in St. Alphonsus Medical Center in Boise, Idaho. She was born May 18, 1930, in St. Joseph, Mo., to Clarence LeRoy and Christie Bell (Hiatt) Elliott. Her family moved from Missouri to Barstow, Calif., in 1938. Barstow is where she completed her formal education and graduated from Barstow High School in 1948. Louella also attended and graduated from Chaffee College in Southern California and Dental Assistant College in San Francisco. Louella held the job of church secretary for the First United Methodist Church of Barstow during the 1950s. This is where she met her husband Emery E. Bishoff, who was the church custodian. They were united in marriage July 18, 1957. They moved to Buhl, Idaho in 1997, to be closer to grandchildren. Louella was a published Haiku poet and had just finished her first book. She was known for her poetry and crocheting, which had won her over 30 ribbons at the Twin Falls County Fair in Idaho in just two years. She was also a resident of Woodstone Retirement Center in Twin Falls, Idaho. She loved the people and activities there. Louella had been a member of the First United Church in Barstow for 48 years. She was also a member of the Buhl Arts Council in Buhl, Idaho. Louella is survived by her husband Emery E. Bishoff of Buhl, Idaho; brother Thomas Elliott of Barstow; children Edith (James) Mace of Buhl, Idaho, LeRoy Bishoff of Kimberly, Idaho, Edward (Sandra) Bishoff of Jerome, Idaho, and Gordon Bishoff of Barstow; grandchildren James (Angela) Mace Jr. of Illinois,

Richard, Walter and Kristy Mace of Twin Falls, Idaho, Janelle, Jason, Bryant, Arien, Cassandra, Christopher and Richard Bishoff of Jerome, Idaho; great-grandchildren Klarysa, Katie, Kristina, James III, Christyan, Kanysha and Samantha Mace of Twin Falls, Idaho, and Nicholas and Austin Mace of Vancouver, Wash.; and many nieces, nephews and friends. She was preceded in death by her parents and sister, June Lorraine (Elliott) Kelly. A memorial service was held Saturday, April 29, 2000, at the First United Methodist Church in Twin Falls, Idaho. Graveside services will be held Saturday, May 13, 2000, at 1 p.m. in Mt. View Cemetery in Barstow. The family invites all of her friends to share memories at a reception after the services (place will be announced at the services).