

## Edward Mekosky

**ST. HELENS, Ore.** — Hoquiam native Edward Mekosky, 86, a long-time resident of St. Helens, Ore., died Thursday, Oct. 2, 1997, at home.

He was born Jan. 1, 1911, to Steve and Victoria Mekosky.

He and his wife, Maxine, had been married for 48 years. She survives at St. Helens.

Mekosky had worked in the St. Helens area as a log and dump truck driver. His interests included hunting, bowling, fishing and peeling cascara bark.

In addition to his wife, he is survived by two sons, Richard of Cornelius, Ore., and Donald of Beaverton, Ore.; two daughters, Bonnie Strucke of Kent and Sherianne Cator of Troy, Ala.; a sister, Wanda Valentine of Aberdeen; a brother, Sigmond of Sierra Vista, Ariz., and eight grandchildren.

A graveside service is set for 2 p.m. Monday, Oct. 6, in St. John's Cemetery in the Wishkah Valley.

Arrangements are in care of the Columbia Funeral Home of St. Helens.

Contributions in his memory are suggested to the Alzheimer's Association.

## Connie Hay

**McCLEARY** — Aberdeen native Connie Hay, 86, of McCleary, died Sunday, Sept. 29, 1996, in Mark E. Reed Hospital.

She was born Jan. 16, 1910, to Stanley and Victoria (Kozlawski) Mikulski. The surname was later changed to Mekosky.

She was raised in Hoquiam and the Wishkah Valley.

On Dec. 5, 1927, she married Robert A. Hay in Aberdeen. Hay and his brothers had found-

ed Hay's Dairy in Hoquiam, where Mrs. Hay also worked.

Her husband died before her.

Mrs. Hay was an avid gardener, loved picking Chantrelle mushrooms, cranberries and blackberries and was known for her blackberry pies.

Survivors include two sons, Robert of Elma and James of Olympia; two brothers, Edward Mekosky of St. Helens, Ore., and Sigmond Mekosky of Sierra Vista, Ariz.; a sister, Wanda Valentine of Hoquiam; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

There will be no service.

Inurnment will be in Sunset Memorial Park at Hoquiam. Arrangements are under the direction of Cascade Services of Washington.

Memorials in Mrs. Hay's name are suggested to the American Lung Association.