Her Legacy… Birdie Ann Deakins was born in Bowie, Texas on December 13, 1919 to Mary Ann and Henry Rhone. She passed away on May 7, 2013 in Oroville, California. She told her future husband, Oscar Deakins, that if he wanted to kiss her he had to marry her. So they were married in November 1937 in Pasadena, California. She was a kind, gentle, loving mother and great helpmate to her husband. For most of her life she was a homemaker and volunteered with the 4-H and other community activities. She loved to travel and was never without their dog to keep her company. She was very devoted to her animals. She and Oscar loved to spend time in Pasadena and go to the horse races at Santa Anita.

Her Family… Birdie was preceded in death by her husband Oscar of 69 years, grandson Benjamin Houck, sister Bessie, and brothers William and Lloyd Rhone. Birdie is survived by her son David and Debbie Deakins, daughter Dorothy and Larry Nelson of Oroville, CA; daughter Linda and Gary Houck of Fair Oaks, CA; 14 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

Her Farewell Service …Graveside Service will be held on Wednesday, May 15, 2013 at 1:00 PM at Memorial Park Cemetery 5646 Lincoln Blvd. Oroville, CA. In lieu of flowers family request donations are made in Birdie’s honor to Northwest SPCA 2787 S 5th Ave., Oroville, CA 95965 to help with the animals she loved so much. Arrangements are entrusted to Ramsey Funeral Home 530-534-3877.