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Paula Houston Guibord

April 10, 1916, to Oct. 3, 2002

Paula Houston Guibord, 86, of Hollywood, Calif., died Oct. 3.

She was born Florabel Rae Houston on April 10, 1916, in Nevada to Dr. Bush and Rachel Houston. After graduating from Nevada High School, she attended Grinnell College in Grinnell, then the University of Iowa, where she graduated with a degree in drama. She pursued a professional acting career most of her life and is in the Actors Hall of Fame at the University of Iowa. She was a star of stage, screen and television.

Survivors include her husband, Philip Guibord of Hollywood; a brother, Larry (and Arlyn) Houston of Laughlin, Nev.; and a nephew, Bush Houston of Anchorage, Alaska.

The body was cremated. No services are planned. Burial will be in the Nevada Cemetery at a later date.

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May 16, 2003

Paula Houston Guibord

Announcement of services

Graveside services will be held May 21 at 2 p.m. at the Nevada Municipal Cemetery for Paula Houston Guibord.

She was born in Nevada on April 10, 1916. Her given name was Florabel Rae Houston. She was a 1934 graduate of Nevada High School, having participated in many plays. She entered Grinnell College in 1934, planning to major in drama. In her second year at Grinnell, she learned that the University of Iowa had an excellent drama department and transferred there for her Junior year. She was in the first play put on in what was then the new theatre building at the university. Graduating in drama in 1938, she left for New York City to pursue a career in acting.

During her career, she performed primarily in the theatre, but also was on television as well as in the movies. She was honored by the University's Actors Hall of Fame. Throughout her life she was always young at heart and with a sense of humor. One of the last things she said before she died was "Tell Arlyn to vacuum the carpet." That's an inside joke.

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