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## Oregon State Senate Honors Delores Atiyeh

SALEM, Ore.- Today, the Oregon State Senate paid their highest respects to the late Delores Hewitt Atiyeh, wife of late Governor Victor Atiyeh.

In a statement, Senator Jackie Winters (R-Salem), longtime friend and former staff member for Governor Atiyeh said:

"Delores Atiyeh was someone whose poise and grace were as natural as Oregon's rain, and she was entirely at ease in any situation. She was a sincere, authentic, and unflappable supporter of Oregon, and of everything her husband did. Her passion for young people and promotion of child safety legislation, as well as her boundless love for her family and friends, will long be remembered."

Delores Atiyeh was born in Portland, Oregon on November 8, 1923, and lived in Oregon her entire life. She passed away August 29, 2016, at the age of 92. Atiyeh served as Oregon's First Lady from 1979-1987, and was a tireless advocate for numerous art, charitable, and historic causes, especially those in support of children and young adults.