

Marjorie Ruth (Aro) Carr

Tuesday, February 2, 1943 -- Thursday, March 2, 1978

JEFFERSON - Funeral services for Marjorie Ruth Carr, 35, 729 N. Third Ave., who died at the University of Oregon Health Sciences Center hospital Thursday, will be at 2 p.m. Monday at the First Church of God in Albany.

Mrs. Carr was flown to the Portland hospital by a special "Life Flight" helicopter on Wednesday because of a heart ailment. She was the first mid-valley resident to use the helicopter service.

Burial will follow at Willamette Memorial Park. Pastor Robert Wallace will officiate.

She was born Feb. 2, 1943 at Baltimore, Md., and lived most of her life in the Albany-Jefferson area. She graduated from Albany Union High School and attended Warner Pacific College in Portland. She married Jimmy L. Carr on Sept. 8, 1968 in Albany. He survives.

Other survivors include two sons, Donald, 9 and Troy, 7; her mother, Mary Aro of Albany; five brothers, John Aro of Casper, Wyo., James Aro of Monroe, David Aro, Daniel Aro, and Joel Aro, all of Albany; and a sister, Rose Brewer of Califon, N. J.

She was a member of the First Church of God. Those who wish to make contributions in her memory can contribute to the First Church of God Missionary Fund.

Fisher Funeral Home of Albany is in charge of arrangements.

'Life Flight' comes to aid Jefferson woman

By Gus August, Democrat-Herald Writer

A 34 year-year old Jefferson woman Wednesday became the first passenger-patient on Portland Emanuel Hospital's Life Flight when she was flown from Albany to Portland in the hospital's medically equipped helicopter. The service officially began on Tuesday.

Mrs. Carr, of 729 Third St., was taken to University Hospital for additional treatment of a heart ailment because it required more specialized equipment than was available locally. She underwent surgery for the removal of fluid from around her heart and now is in the intensive care unit of the hospital in critical condition.

The Albany Fire Department Ambulance had been called at 9:05 a.m. Wednesday to transport Mrs. Carr to the Albany hospital. Doctors determined she had an "unusual" heart condition so arrangements were made to have the Life Flight land at the Albany airport. At 5:45 p.m. the ambulance took Mrs. Carr to the airport to meet the helicopter and by 7:30 p.m. she had been admitted to the University Hospital, where she had been taken by ambulance after landing at Emanuel.

Her husband, Jimmy, could not be reached for comment.

The Alouette helicopter is a flying emergency room, equipped with every type of heart monitor and other equipment. Its crew is in constant contact with a physician. Life Flight responds only in case of an emergency and only when called by the proper authorities. It can lift off from Emanuel within four minutes and services an area with a radius of 135 miles from Portland.

The Life Flight has made two demonstration runs to Lebanon.