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## Brownsburg woman celebrates milestone

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Submitted photoHAPPY BIRTHDAY: Florence Rumrill celebrated her 100th birthday Saturday.

Florence Rumrill celebrated her 100th birthday over the weekend.

Excited to see family in town from across the country, the Brownsburg Meadows resident and her family reflected on her accomplishments and special memories.

Rumrill walked in the One America 500 Festival Mini Marathon a total of six times — the first time she was 82 years old.

"She's walked forever," son Rod Rumrill said. "She never had a driver's license and just preferred to walk."

One of his favorite memories from childhood included walks in the Colorado mountains.

Her other son, Ron Rumrill, just remembers her being present.

"She was always around, always cooking," he said. "She loved to walk and see the birds and flowers."

Born in South Dakota in 1918 and married in 1944, Rumrill was married for 50 years until her husband's death.

She has lived a healthy and selfless life, volunteering in the church nursery for a number of years and teaching youth groups. She said she never liked to sit still.

She volunteered at the Brownsburg Public Library for several years as well.

Perhaps healthy choices have allowed Rumrill to live a long life.

"She never drank coffee and never drank pop," Rod said. "Only water, and didn't like chocolate."

Friday, Rumrill celebrated with family, friends and residents at Brownsburg Meadows. Saturday, family gathered to celebrate, including six nieces and nephews, her two sons and others.