



Rayma Louise McLean

March 11, 1947 - March 15, 2019

Rayma McLean was born in Pasco, Washington on March 11, 1947 to Ray and Lucille Bailie of Mesa, Washington. She spent a happy childhood on the family farm and attended Mesa Elementary. A farm girl at heart, she “cleaned-up” well.

During her years at Connell High School she participated in Junior Miss, debate and was crowned Miss Connell. She maintained her crown as Miss CWC while attending Central Washington College then continued to hit the books in business school in the Tri-Cities.

While attending business school, Rayma met Phillip, a teacher at Connell High School. The meeting, a first date, came about after Rayma’s brother Manton asked to borrow a piece of equipment from the school where Phil was teaching. Phil agreed on the condition that Manton would arrange a date with his sister. This date and several after were to baseball games and sporting events. Rayma joked that if Phil was looking for an athlete, he should look elsewhere. He was not deterred, and after an extremely romantic proposal at a stoplight in Spokane, they were married in 1968.

The couple settled in Moses Lake where they made a home, raised a family and attended many, many more sporting events together for the next 50 years. All three of their children are athletes and have become involved in education and coaching. All six of their grandchildren have filled their lives with baseball, basketball, ballet and no boredom!

As they made their life, there were ups and downs. But Rayma was always willing to pitch in. She even offered to assist with the farming. One the first several years on the farm, Rayma helped plant the wheat. When her father asked during a visit about the crooked rows, Rayma said “I understand you get more wheat seeded in crooked rows” and there were no more comments from her Dad.

Her spirit for helping was one of her most enduring qualities. During her years in Moses Lake, Rayma became a vibrant contributor to her community. She was passionate and deeply committed to organizations like PEO (Women helping Women), Compassion International, her church, school fundraisers, and much more. She was always willing to help, and she did so with skill, patience, kindness and a happy heart.

Rayma found joy in baking and gardening and was talented at both. We will miss her “Rayma rolls” and beautiful spring flower pots. Her family will continue to be warmed by fond memories of ginger bread houses, warm pies cooling on the counter, a comforting casserole after a sports practice, colorful flowers painting the back porch and lovely planter baskets perfect for tucking away an Easter egg or two.

When you love someone, there is never enough time. And, so very many people loved Rayma. We mourn that she is gone too soon, yet we find peace knowing she is with her Heavenly Father, as well as Ray and Lucille. We know that she is surrounded by love. She will live on in the happy memories she’s made with her husband, children, grandchildren and many friends, colleagues and community members.

Rayma is preceded in death by her parents Ray and Lucille. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, Phillip McLean; her sons, Jason McLean (Cami), Moses Lake, and Aaron McLean (Darby), Spokane; her daughter, Jenny Nighswonger (Dan), Moses Lake; her brother, Manton Bailie (Patti), Mesa, and Sister in-law Phyllis Jess (Tom), Wenatchee. She is also survived by six grandchildren (Evan, Mia, Sydney, Addison, Nash and Drayson) as well as numerous extended family members and dear friends.

Memorial Services will be held on Friday, March 22nd at 11:00am in the Moses Lake Presbyterian Church (1142 Ivy Ave, Moses Lake). A luncheon will immediately follow. Viewing will be available Thursday March 21st, from 6:00-8:00pm at Kayser’s Chapel (831 S. Pioneer Way, Moses Lake)

In lieu of flowers, Rayma’s family asks that you consider a donation in her name to the Deacons Fund at Moses Lake Presbyterian Church or to Assured Home Hospice of Moses Lake.

Events

MAR **Visitation** 06:00PM - 08:00PM

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Kayser's Chapel of Memories

831 S. Pioneer Way, Moses Lake, WA, US

MAR **Service** 11:00AM

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Moses Lake Presbyterian Church

1142 W. Ivy, Moses Lake, WA, US

Comments



“ To the dear McLean family, we are sorry to hear of Rayma's passing. Her sunny, positive spirit was a source of encouragement to any and all who knew her. May the precious memories become treasures that live on and bring comfort and cheer in the days to come.

The Bob Dirks family

Bonnie Dirks - March 22 at 10:20 PM



“ Phil, Jason, Aaron, Jenny, and family: I am so sorry for your loss. No doubt, Rayma will be incredibly missed by your family and community. She was so faithful in serving others. She had a way of warmly greeting me that made me feel incredibly loved each time

I would see her. As you remember the special memories, may you all be comforted by deep faith and knowledge of the saving grace of Jesus Christ she trusted in and the legacy she leaves you to carry on- a rich one indeed. We are praying for you.

Love, The Harolds

Sonia Harold - March 21 at 03:44 PM



“ Phil and Family, We are so very sorry for you loss. Rayma was such a kind person. She will be missed in the community.

Sincerely,

The Wayne and Ruth Walker Family

Claretta Walker - March 21 at 10:40 AM



“ Phil and Family, we are so sorry for the loss of such a special lady! We will be out of town for services but please know our thoughts and prayers are with you all! We pray that the Good Lord will give you His peace that passes all understanding! Chuck and Martha Cox

Chuck and Martha Cox - March 20 at 12:34 PM



“ Janet Kemmer lit a candle in memory of Rayma Louise McLean



Janet Kemmer - March 20 at 02:45 AM



“ I will always remember Rayma... I first met her in our English Handbell choir directed by Jay Nelson at the Presbyterian Church. She was very good at her "position" (I found out she played piano too), and I'm going to miss her!

Janet Kemmer - March 20 at 02:43 AM



“ To the McLean family; How do you say Goodbye to a woman, who has helped lead her family with grace, dignity, and humor for so many years? It is impossible. To Rayma's family and friends, her words of wisdom and quick wit will live on through them. Rayma was a wonderful person. Everyone who knew her, loved her. Her beautiful smile was radiant, and would light up a room. She was generous, thoughtful, talented, smart, and full of compassion for others. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all. Sincerely, Paul and Cathy Kersey

Cathy Kersey - March 19 at 10:12 PM



“ i didn't know her well but her sweet spirit was always apparent.
Don Hochstatter

Don Hochstatter - March 19 at 10:36 AM



“ So sad to lose poor Rayma- at least her earthly struggles are over. She is now whole, well & I'm sure happy to be with parents and other friends including Lynda. She will never be forgotten. My condolences to Phil, Jason, Aaron, Jennie and the grandchildren

Sally Goodwin - March 19 at 10:05 AM