



Alma Sharp Franz

March 24, 1926 - January 12, 2011

On January 12, 2011, at the age of 84, Alma (Hintz/Sharp/Franz) entered the gates of heaven, joining her heavenly father, and reunited with her deceased family and friends. She had suffered a stroke in 1998, which coupled with dementia, had steadily diminished her quality of life these past twelve years, but we are so very thankful for the time God shared her with us. She died peacefully surrounded by family at Summer Wood ASCC.

Alma was born in Zap, North Dakota, on March 24th, 1926, second oldest of eight children. Her parents were Henry Hintz and Emma Marie Hart, siblings Viola (Robert) Ditty, Hillmer (Catherine/Sandra) Hintz, Helmut (Leona/Mertyle) Hintz, Rudolf (Shirley) Hintz, and Donald (Patricia) Hintz. When Alma was ten years old, the family moved to Nyssa Oregon, in waiting for the Columbia Basin project development and farming opportunity in Washington. The family eventually moved to the Warden/Ruff WA area, in 1952.

Alma had left home and moved to Vancouver WA, where she fell in love and married her first husband Hubert Sharp in 1945. They briefly lived in several different states, where his painting contractor work took them, until finally settling in Sacramento CA. The union produced three children, Deborah (Steve) Hoffman, Ronda (Brian/John) Galloway, and Gary Sharp. Hubert suffered a tragic accidental death, in 1965, at which time, Alma and her children relocated to Moses Lake WA, to be closer to her family.

Alma later married Herbert Franz, in 1969, and relocated to the farm at Ruff WA. The union combined her three children along with his eight children,

which included Sharon (Ben) Krockner, Ron (Sharon) Franz, Janet (Gary) Epp, Connie (Phil) Harmon, Tom (Karen/Tedeen) Franz, Virginia (Steve) Bjorklund, Rich (Lisa/Wendy) Franz, and James Franz.

Alma held many different jobs throughout her career, farming, waitress, homemaker, in home retail sales (Avon/Amway), and most recently, care giver for the elderly. Alma loved spending time with her church fellowship, family and grandkids. She was a very loving and caring person who will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She was preceded in death by her parents, husbands Hubert Sharp, and Herbert Franz, her daughter Ronda Galloway, two sisters, and four brothers. She is survived by all but one of her children, and over fifty grandchildren, who she loved all so dearly. She was truly a mother, grandmother and aunt who will be deeply missed and who's regal legacy will live forever, in our hearts and souls.

Viewing 9am to 5pm Thursday Jan. 20 and Friday 9am to noon, Jan 21st. Burial service to be conducted at 2pm, on Friday, Jan. 21st, at Moses Lake cemetery, 14403 Rd 2 NE, Moses Lake. Memorial celebration of Alma's life to be held at 2pm, Jan. 22nd, at Moses Lake Assembly of God church, 431 E. Brown Ave, Moses Lake.

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 20. 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Visitation

JAN 21. 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM (PT)

Kayser's Chapel of Memories
831 S. Pioneer Way
Moses Lake, WA

Service

JAN 21. 2:00 PM (PT)

Pioneer Memorial Gardens
14403 Road 2 N.E.
Moses Lake, WA

Service

JAN 22. 2:00 PM (PT)

Assembly at Moses Lake
431 E. Brown Ave.
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall



“ Our dear Aunt Alma...we so wanted to be there at the service. We love all of you and really wanted to be there with family. By has had health issues the last few days.
Much love,
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Ditty###imported-end##

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“ Aunt Alma was truly a special lady, I have so many memories of her from my childhood. Any occassion we had big or small Aunt Alma was always there. She thought of everyone. I will Love and Miss her always.###imported-begin##Cindy Barger###imported-end##

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“ Our Thoughts & Prayers are with the Hintz/Hoffman families. In a twinkling of an eye Alma met her loved ones in heaven.
Harley & Linda Stewart
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“ I will be at the memorial on Saturday. My love to all!
Karen###imported-begin##Karen Snyder###imported-end##

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