



Dorothy E. Pixton

August 25, 1928 - November 6, 2009

Dorothy E. Pixton, 81, a longtime resident of Warden and Moses Lake, passed away on November 6, 2009. A service in celebration of her life will be held at 10:00 A.M. November 13, 2009 at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints in Warden. Interment will follow at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Warden.

Dorothy was born on August 26, 1928 in Shelley, Idaho to James C. Beasley and Sarah Edna Beasley (Summers).

Dorothy is preceded in death by her husband, Ferris who passed away in February of 1976 and son, Rick who passed away in June of 1970. She is survived by two sons and daughters-in-law, Dennis T. (Beth) and Anthony F. (Holly); a daughter, Annette, a brother, DeLoy (Donalene), eight grandchildren; Michelle, Heather, Jennifer, Brian, David, Mark, Chris and Kristin and ten great-grandchildren; Makenna, Michael, Julia, Gwynnie, Gracie, Ellie, Jacob, Landon, Brecken and Eli.

Dorothy will be remembered for her love of family, her love of life and for her absolute belief in the goodness of mankind.

Previous Events

Service

NOV 13. 10:00 AM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Warden Chapel
1017 S. County Rd.
Warden, WA

Tribute Wall



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I can only imagine how happy she is to be with Ricky.##imported-begin##Sara Miller Beust##imported-end##

December 24, 2009 at 01:27 PM



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December 24, 2009 at 01:24 PM



“ Dear Friends,

Along with you, I have wonderful and funny memories of Dorothy. As she served on the Warden School Board, I knew her in a different capacity from many Warden community members. Dorothy took her School Board responsibilities seriously and when she was asked about educational issues affecting Warden students, she knew the issues and the answers. Serving on a public Board is not an easy task. Everyone holds each Board member responsible for everything that is happening in a school, from the classroom instruction to the litter in the parking lot. But Dorothy knew a lot about human nature. Her laughter would sometimes be the answer to an angry parent about some small, piddly little problem that had this parent up in arms. Sometimes she could diffuse the hostility before she had to confront the concern. However, I did see her turn into Wonder Woman and bristle with fire to confront her enemies if she had to. She was quick on her feet and could surround her prey to "float like a butterfly but sting like a bee". I have a distinct feeling that, in spite of her small stature, those guys on the Board shut up and listened when she spoke. I really enjoyed her use of authority. I do know that I made sure never to have her anger focused on me. After our family moved away from Warden, I did not see or hear of what she was doing. I hope that her retirement was full of activities as she had an active mind and spirit. I have lost contact with many of my Warden friends and that is my loss. I look back at that time as some of the best memories of my teaching career. Because of Warden students (Annette and Tony), I actually learned how to teach and I will be forever grateful. I had to learn about you, I had to reach your needs to make things out of clay (ick) or to make projects in the welding shop. I had to be just the right kind of angry when my classroom lights were switched off next door or I had little gardens in front of my classroom. I moved to Warden when I was 27 and I had 5 years of what I thought was successful teaching experience at Medical Lake High School, a much bigger school. From the very first minute in my weird little classroom at Warden, I could tell that Warden was unlike anything I had ever experienced. My classroom lessons from the past were not acceptable to Warden

students and I went home many days in tears of frustration. I had to adapt and make the art lessons something that applied to and interested Warden students, many of whom had such different life experiences that I had. I never had to live, crowded into a small house with all my Aunts and Uncles. I never had to run away from an out-of-control parent with a weapon. I did not understand poverty or the lack of any future. In some ways, Warden made me face some of the realities of "Real Life". It did take me a long time to actually take responsibility for my life but I managed that, at least for today.

As I remember Dorothy. she had poise, a grace in adversity that I now recognize as maturity. Naturally, as a teacher, one never befriended a School Board member, at least in my little world of experience. I now regret that I did not have the courage to know her. I think I missed an opportunity to know a very special lady. My Mother passed away March 2008. Every time I go to Moses, I think, "I will stop and see Mom". But I can't, because she is gone. I am learning that it takes many phases to move forward after the death of a loved one and you both will be in my thoughts as you travel this journey of loss. As your friend, I know you both have the strength to honor your Mother and be there for each other.

With my deepest sympathy,

Danna Dal Porto###imported-begin###Danna Dal Porto###imported-end##

November 16, 2009 at 05:13 PM



“ *First of all to the family, Dennis, Tony and Annette, and your families, our deepest sympathy to all of you...*

Dorothy, you were a very special and important person in our lives. You were there to share many good times and sad times for our family. You will always be "Bobba" to us and our kids, and our lives will be changed forever without you. May you have the sunshine and happiness that you always knew would be there for you in the ever-after. We love you and will miss you always...

Callie & Myrtle & family##imported-begin##Callie & Myrtle Voss##imported-end##

November 15, 2009 at 01:40 AM



“ *May you all be comforted by the happy memories of your mom. My thoughts and prayers are with you at this difficult time.##imported-begin##Ila Simpson##imported-end##*

November 14, 2009 at 04:52 PM



“ *Our thoughts and prayers go out to each and every one of you on the loss of your mother and grandmother. Dorothy was a fine lady and a very good friend. I remember all those weekends my parents and Dorothy & Ferris got together. What fun we had! God bless you all.##imported-begin##Perry & Karol (Wurzer) Miller##imported-end##*

November 13, 2009 at 11:25 PM



“ Annette and all of your family. Our thoughts and prayers are with you in this most difficult time. May God give you and your family comfort. I did not grow up with all of you in Warden, but the moments that I got to spend with your family will always be cherished. Your Mom's smile will always be there.

Roldan & Virginia Capetillo - Warden###imported-begin###Roldan & Virginia Capetillo###imported-end##

November 13, 2009 at 12:06 PM



“ Hi Annette,
I'm sorry to hear about your mom. She was a great lady who always made us feel welcomed and cared for. It's funny I was thinking of you and Tony a few days ago, I can't remember what made me think about you, but you looked great. Of course its a 20 year old pictured thought, but I'm sure you haven't changed. I wish I could say that about myself. I was walking our little dog when you popped in my head, not Tony, you, I could see you smiling and wondered how you were doing, where are you at. Then I thought about Tony. I miss you and your brother. Please, lets keep in contact. And smile, it's always how I see you.

Ray###imported-begin###Ray Valdez###imported-end##

November 13, 2009 at 03:47 AM



“ Sorry to hear about your mom,our prayer's go out to you.
God Bless,
Connie (Wurzer) French###imported-begin###Connie & Rick French (Wurzer)###imported-end##

November 12, 2009 at 09:36 PM



“ *Our thought's and prayer's go out to all of you. We have many of good memorie's of good times with Dorthy.
God Bless,
Gerald & Betty##imported-begin##Gerald & Betty
Wurzer##imported-end##*

November 12, 2009 at 09:32 PM