



## Janet Brooks

March 1, 1940 - May 8, 2024

Janet (Barney) Brooks

Born March 1, 1940 at their home in Huntington, UT to Stanley and Bardell (Norton) Barney. Janet was the youngest of 3 siblings.

Janet spent her early years living in Price and Springville, UT. In 1945, Janet and her family moved to Tacoma, WA where her parents worked in the Tacoma shipyards supporting the war efforts. Janet went to school in Tacoma and graduated from Lincoln HS in 1958. Throughout her early life, Janet enjoyed ice and roller skating, writing for her school newspaper, sewing with her mother, going to church, and spending time with her friends.

She started writing Harris Brooks Jr while he was on an LDS mission during her senior year of high school because her good friend said he needed someone to write to. They continued to write until his mission was completed. Harris had to report for military duty in Seattle and then traveled to Tacoma to meet Janet. They met face to face on a Friday and by Sunday they were talking about marriage. They were married September 1, 1959 in the Salt Lake LDS Temple.

They lived their early married years in Tacoma, WA where Janet worked for United Pacific Insurance Co. from 1958 to 1960. They welcomed their first daughter Sherrie in July 1960 and their son Bradley in April 1963.

On Memorial Day weekend in 1966, Janet, Harris, their 2 small children, along with 6,000 apple trees, moved to Royal City, WA. They eventually were able to purchase land on Royal Slope and started their lifelong farming adventure.

While living in Royal City, They welcomed their 3rd child Penny in January 1968 and their last child Kimberly in March 1970.

Janet held many jobs throughout her years in Royal City. They included supporting the family farm and eventual orchard, working at the U&I Royal scalehouse, as a bookkeeper for B&G Farms, and eventually the bookkeeper for Weber Farms where she retired in July 2008.

Janet's biggest loves were her husband, 4 children, 15 grandchildren, and 13 great grandchildren. She loved the LDS church deeply along with all the callings she had from teaching young children about the gospel, to being the secretary for different organizations in the church.

Janet has left such an amazing legacy through her work with the church and community. She left a legacy throughout her family and friends through making numerous quilts, teaching her cooking and canning skills, and being a compassionate, loving and caring person.

Janet went dancing in the clouds with her love Harris on May 8, 2024. She is survived by her 4 children: Sherrie Brooks of Fallon, NV, Bradley (Amanda) Brooks of South Jordan, UT, Penny Quist of Ephrata, WA, and Kimberly (Cary) Wells of Yakima, WA; along with 15 grandchildren, 13 great grandchildren, and countless nieces and nephews.

Preceded in death by her husband Harris Brooks, parents Stanley and Bardell (Norton) Barney, siblings Phyllis (Calvin) Hemming and Jack (Jean Smith) Barney.

Viewing will be held at Kayser's Chapel of Memories in Moses Lake Friday May 24, 2024 from 4-6pm. Funeral service to be held at the LDS church in Royal Camp, WA May 25,2024 at 1 pm.

In lieu of flowers, you may donate to a charity of your choice supporting diabetes or kidney disease in the name of Janet Brooks.

# Cemetery Details

## Royal Memorial Gardens

900 Apple Ave NE  
Royal City, WA

# Previous Events

## Visitation

MAY **24**. 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

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

## Service

MAY **25**. 1:00 PM (PT)

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints - Royal Camp Chapel  
357 Christensen Road Royal Camp  
Othello, WA

# Tribute Wall

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“ Dear Brooks Family,

*Another one of the special group of "Early Beginners" has move on to that better place. Those of us who were part of the group all share a common bond which has left us with fond memories. The close friendships and good neighbors that we all became means alot to all of us who endured the good and bad experiences while developing the Royal Slope. Janet and Harris were both a part of that special group. One of my fond memories of Janet and Harris is all the visiting we did at the mailbox. If we happened to meet at the mailbox we always stopped and visited and caught up with what was happening with each other and our families. My thoughts and Prayers are with all of you as you work through this difficult time. May God Bless each and everyone of you. With Love, Alice Parker and Family*

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**Alice Parker** - May 24, 2024 at 10:32 PM

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*Thank you for the kind words. Many fond memories of the Parker family.*

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**Sherrie Brooks** - May 29, 2024 at 12:15 AM

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“ *We will always remember and cherish the years of friendship and joy with Harris and Janet. Although it has been many years since we were neighbors and friends, those were special times as we had so much in common with our children and orchards at the top of the list. We send our condolences to the children and grandchildren. Your parents and grandparents were dear to us and so many others. Shirley Christensen family*

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**Shirley Christensern** - May 23, 2024 at 02:11 PM

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*Thank you for the condolences from the Shirley Christensen family. The orchard was my dad's love after his wife & family. My mother supported him as she loved him so very dearly.*

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**Sherrie Brooks** - May 29, 2024 at 12:18 AM