



Lorraine Solberg

August 28, 1932 - April 23, 2012

Ada Lorraine Solberg, beloved mother, grandmother, and great grandmother, passed away at her longtime home in Warden on Monday, April 23, 2012 at the age of 79. Lorraine was born August 28, 1932 in Moscow, Idaho. She was the daughter of William and Mildred Mushlitz and was the oldest of three children.

Lorraine graduated from Hansen High School in 1950 and attended the University of Idaho in Moscow and Eastern Washington State College (now EWU) in Cheney, earning a degree in education. Upon graduation in 1954, Lorraine taught sixth grade at Peninsula Elementary school in Moses Lake. She married Ralph Solberg on November 6, 1954. Over the years, they were blessed with 5 children: twins Gregory and Vicki, sons Michael and Jeffry, and daughter Sonya.

The family lived briefly in Quincy before settling in Warden in 1960, where Ralph founded The Warden Register, the first weekly newspaper for the town. Lorraine shared duties at the newspaper and worked as a substitute teacher for the Warden School District. Later, Lorraine was employed by Asgrow Seed Company, where she worked until her retirement in 1999.

Lorraine was an avid reader of a wide variety of books, but enjoyed mysteries most of all. She loved watching sports and would never miss a game played by her Zags, Mariners, Seahawks and Cougars. She was very artistic and decorated her house with tole paintings, needlepoint, quilting and crocheting projects. In the past several years, Lorraine combined her two passions:

scrapbooking and genealogy, to research her family tree and create elaborate scrapbooks, which she shared with her children. Other interests included cooking, tending flowers in her many planters, and collecting angels and whimsical M&M decanters. Lorraine loved the company of all of her children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. Her house was the social center of her large family and the frequent gathering place for barbecues, holiday celebrations, and birthdays.

Lorraine was preceded in death by her parents and eldest son Gregory. She is survived by daughters Vicki (Joel) Rossell and Sonya (Micheal) Nicholson of Moses Lake, sons Michael (Tawni) Solberg of Othello, Jeffry (Doreen) Solberg of Snohomish, WA, and daughter-in-law Jane Solberg of Snohomish; brother Jerry (Barbara) Mushlitz of Quincy; sister Deanna (Paul) Phillips of Dayton, WA; grandchildren: Joshua (Erin) Rossell, Brett (Jessica) Rossell and Lindsey Rossell of Moses Lake, Stephanie (Lee) Sanders of Farmington, NM, Shannon (Ted) Kubesh of Kettle Falls, WA, Tony (Dawnielle) Solberg of Othello, Sarah Solberg of Mesa, AZ, Nathan Solberg of Snohomish, and Molly Nicholson of Moses Lake; and great grandchildren: Devan, Seth, Caleb, Camryn, Ty, Chris, Kaylie, Isabella, and Aubree.

Funeral services will be held at 10:00 a.m., Monday, May 7, 2012 at Kayser's Chapel in Moses Lake with burial to follow at Quincy Valley Cemetery in Quincy close to her parents. Memorials may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 7. 10:00 AM (PT)

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

Tribute Wall



“ I cannot claim to have known Lorraine very well. I do however know two of her children. Jeff was one of my best friends in high school and I met Sonya several years later as her volleyball coach. Jeff and Sonya are both people of the highest quality. I would guess that Lorraine could take much of the credit for her wonderful children. Thank you Lorraine. I am blessed with friendship because of you. My thoughts and prayers go with the family in this time of sorrow.##imported-begin##Dennis Treat##imported-end##

May 08, 2012 at 12:14 AM



“ I miss my grandma very much and just want to thank everyone for their kind words. I've always know my grandma to be a very strong individual. I always wondered if she would ever find a partner to share the rest of her life with. To me it was obvious that we were all she needed. Well not all my grandma needed sports to! There are really no words to explain the deep pain that is throbbing in my heart. This is one broken grand kid but I know my grandma would want me to wipe my tears, stand up straight, and look forward for my journey in life. You're forever in my heart. Lindsey##imported-begin##Lindsey Rossell##imported-end##

May 06, 2012 at 08:27 PM



“ Sonja - So sorry to hear of the passing of your mother. I will always remember her as a super lady that I had the honor of working with at Asgrow for many years. Her work ethics, the extra strong coffee she made and that great smile!##imported-begin##Karol (Wedin) Hanson##imported-end##

May 06, 2012 at 10:31 AM



“ I went to school with Sonya, and I also remember Lorraine from subing , she was always a happy, fun caring person that I never forgotten.##imported-begin##Sandra Baxter##imported-end##

May 06, 2012 at 12:15 AM



“ I am writing to express my sympathy for your family's loss of Lorraine, mother, grandmother and friend.

My husband and I moved to Warden in 1972. I was new to the community and had no family in the area. Several of the local families were especially considerate to me, including Lorraine. I remember her home as such a busy place with her children and their friends moving in and out at all hours of the day and night. She balanced all of those family responsibilities and she was always smiling and cheerful. To me she was an island in the storm for her family.

I remember her as a strong and important member of the Warden community. I will always remember her kindness to me.

With sincere sympathy,

Steve and Danna Dal Porto

Quincy, WA##imported-begin##Danna Dal Porto##imported-end##

May 04, 2012 at 01:43 PM



“ I only met Lorraine a few times over the years when she was over visiting Jeff and Doreen. I remember her as a very nice person and nice to talk to. So sorry for your loss of a wonderful person.##imported-begin##Jeff Reimer##imported-end##

May 03, 2012 at 09:16 PM



“ So sorry to her of her passing. She was a wonderful lady and a real anchor at the Asgrow Warden seed plant. I've known Lorraine since 1972 who was a big help in branch operations, transitions and training new employees. Our thoughts and prayers for the family. The Leonard Singhose Family##imported-begin##Leonard Singhose ##imported-end##

May 03, 2012 at 04:55 PM



“ Jeff, Thank you for the phone call. To all of you, we will miss your Mom. She was a dear friend since grade school. 9##imported-begin##Kenneth and Bula Daw##imported-end##

May 02, 2012 at 06:08 PM



“ We are all sorry to hear the lost of your mother. Please accept our most heartfelt sympathies for your loss. Our thoughts are with you and your familes during this dufficult time. sincerely Lupe & Alicia Arousa and Family Susan, Stella, Lupe, Willie, Mary, Johnny, Sylvia, Ricky & Wally##imported-begin##Mary (Arousa) Trenbeath##imported-end##

April 30, 2012 at 09:09 PM



“ Your Mother was a good friend of ours all through school. We even did some double dating when we were in High School. We had a good vist with her last summer when we were at my brothers Art & Patsy Prior's. We spent the afternoon talking about old times. It was great!!! I know that you will miss her a lot! I know how proud she was of all of you. God go with each of YOU. Jack & Virginia Howe###imported-begin##Virginia & Jack Howe###imported-end##

April 28, 2012 at 11:16 PM



“ We will miss Lorraine, our thoughts and prayers are with you.###imported-begin##The Shipley and Haney Famiy###imported-end##

April 28, 2012 at 09:00 PM



“ Rest well Lorraine, rest well.....

Sonya, your Mom will be missed greatly by many. Despite what she thought, her tough exterior did little to hide her generous and caring heart. I have wonderful memories of working with her at Asgrow/Seminis for 17 years, and credit her with helping to shape my life for the better.

I'm so sorry for your loss.....

~Donna Hankins (Yates)###imported-begin##Donna Hankins###imported-end##

April 27, 2012 at 11:08 PM



“ *Sorry for you loss. Our prayers and thoughts are with you.*##imported-begin##Lucy Gerber##imported-end##

April 26, 2012 at 09:25 PM