

## Margarete Hunter

January 14, 1937 - December 24, 2020

On December 24, 2020, Margarete (Marie) Hunter passed away peacefully at her home with her children by her side. Margarete was born January 14, 1937 in Treubaub, Czechoslovakia to Josef and Hildegard Dirr. She was the youngest of 5 children. She is a survivor of WW2 and was part of one of the largest ethnic-cleansing campaigns in the history of the world with the expulsion of the Sudetenland Germans from their historic lands in Europe. Her family was relocated to Wertheim, Germany where she met and married a U.S. Army soldier, Gordon Hunter.

In 1956, she followed her husband, Gordon, to the United States and proudly supported him as a military wife. She made many sacrifices until his retirement in 1971. She became a United States citizen on September 18, 1959. They made Moses Lake their home in 1969, where they raised their 7 children. She retired from Simplot after 28 years of dedication. After retirement, she enjoyed many hours with her grandchildren and working in the yard growing beautiful flowers. She had a great love for animals and often took in strays or any other animal that someone could not care for. She was one of the funniest woman that people encountered and made everyone laugh. Her health began failing quickly after the death of her oldest son, Tom, and it's believed she died of a broken heart.

Margarete is proceeded in death by her husband, Gordon, infant son, Michael,

Tom, Her parents, Josef and Hildegard Dirr, Brothers Eric and Walter, and her sister, Edith Feldman. She is survived by her children, Rick Hunter, Roy (Ginger) Hunter, Bill (Renee) Hunter, Bob (Kathy) Hunter, Patricia (Adolf) Vasquez, Tanya (Chris) Kanoff, 17 grandchildren, 27 great grandchildren, 1 great great grand child, and her sister in Wertheim, Germany Margit Schelhaas.

There will be a Gravesites Service on January 14, 2021 at 11:00 a.m. at Pioneer Memorial Gardens.

In lieu of flowers, please make a donation in Marie's name to Grant County Animal Outreach or Daze of Camelot Animal Sanctuary.

# Cemetery Details

## Pioneer Memorial Gardens

14403 Rd. 2 Ne  
Moses Lake, WA

# Previous Events

## Graveside Service

JAN 14. 11:00 AM (PT)

Pioneer Memorial Gardens  
14403 Rd. 2 Ne  
Moses Lake, WA

# Tribute Wall

DG

“ I got the pleasure to make Marie's acquaintance through Bob. She was a wonderful person and Heaven gained an awesome Angel



Dennis Goff - January 13, 2021 at 07:46 PM

TB

“ Todd Bohne lit a candle in memory of Margarete Hunter



Todd Bohne - January 07, 2021 at 04:47 PM

SH

“ We have known Marie just over 50 years. She always had a joke to tell. Her laughter and smile lite up the room. Her passion showed for animal was just as huge - even having her peacocks as her children. May she be reunited finally with Gordon. The world lost a loving lady. Prayers to all the family

Sue Hodges - January 06, 2021 at 10:54 PM

SD

“ I am sorry Karissa. Grandma's are so special. Keep your memories close.



Shanon Davis - January 06, 2021 at 06:27 PM

DL

“ *David Lobie lit a candle in memory of  
Margarete Hunter*



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**David Lobie** - January 06, 2021 at 02:27 PM

CC

“ *Christy Coates lit a candle in memory of  
Margarete Hunter*



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**christy coates** - January 05, 2021 at 10:41 PM

PL

“ *What a wonderful lady Marie was, I have  
known her for many years, my deepest  
sympathy to all the family, and may Marie rest  
in peace.*



*Pat Ledbetter  
Moses Lake, Wa.*

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**Patricia Ledbetter** - January 05, 2021 at 08:14 PM

TM

“ *Wow! What a life and so many children and grandchildren. She  
sounds like she was a wonderful person.*

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**Tamara Montanya** - January 05, 2021 at 06:36 PM

TK

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Tanya Kanoff - January 05, 2021 at 04:14 PM

TK

“ 8 files added to the tribute wall



Tanya Kanoff - January 05, 2021 at 04:08 PM

CC

“ *I didn't have to pleasure of knowing Mrs. Hunter, but I have know a couple of her children for most of my life. I know because of the people they are that she had to be a wonderful woman. I am so sorry for the Hunter families losses this year.I pray that her family find God's peace.*

Catherine Samples Conley - January 05, 2021 at 04:02 PM

KB

“ I have just read Margarete's obituary and wow, what a lot she experienced in her life time. I can tell she was an amazing woman. I only know one of her children, but what a beautiful person she raised and he is such a credit to her. Prayers for all of those who will miss her most.

Kathy Benson - January 05, 2021 at 03:38 PM

CL

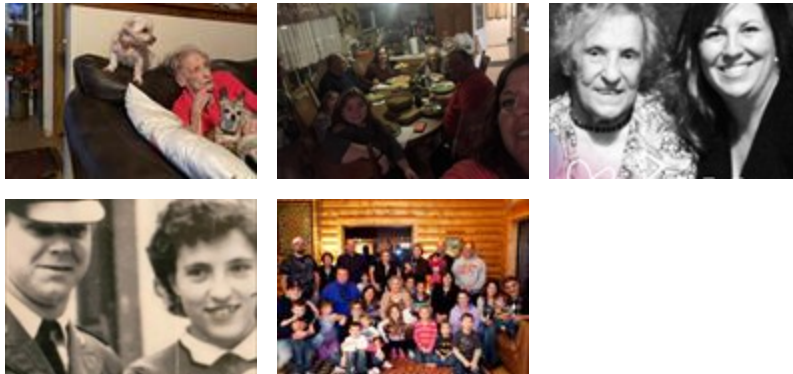
“ Cheryl Lalk lit a candle in memory of Margarete Hunter



Cheryl Lalk - January 05, 2021 at 02:02 PM

TK

“ 7 files added to the tribute wall



Tanya Kanoff - January 05, 2021 at 01:49 PM