



Marie Blackwood

October 2, 1925 - March 16, 2015

With great sadness, we'd like to announce that on March 16th, surrounded by family and in her own home, Leona Marie Blackwood went home to the Lord and back in the arms of her late husband, John Robert Blackwood. Better known as Marie, Mom, Granny B, and Great Granny B, she was deeply loved by all those who knew her.

Marie was born on October 2nd, 1925, in Shelton, WA to William and Fairy Matthews. Her siblings were Tom, Bill, Ray, Art and Barb. At the age of 20, she met and married her lifelong love, John, and together they shared 53 years of marriage.

Marie meant so many things to so many people. She was deeply involved in her church, belonged to a widow's group, played dominoes regularly, helped with the blood bank, and donated much of her time to the American Legion. She was passionate about gardening. Her yard holds many memories, from family weddings to Easter egg hunts to playing croquet and holding BBQ's. There was never a time any of us couldn't go home to her. Her door and heart were always open. We ask that everyone sprinkle some extra seeds in their yards, as the birds are missing their friend.

Marie is survived by her sister Barb Gordon (Pat), her three children Johnny Blackwood, Donna Miller (Dave), Barb Allen (Dave), her five grandkids Krista

Jones (Mason), Julie Garibay (Aaron King), Stacy Orozco (David), Brent Allen, Dara Allen (James), her ten great-grandkids, Jord'Enn Barker, David Trysten Mende, Haylee Orozco, Rylee Garibay, Emily Jones, Kaylynn Orozco, Katy Jones, Cayden Allen, Brynlynn King, Greysen Fowler-Allen, as well as her friends and neighbors Pat and Donna Palmerton and family, Charlie and Judy Clark and family, Avis Maurice and Charlotte Roth.

She's preceded in death by her parents, William and Fairy Matthews, her brothers William, Ray, Art and Tom Matthews, her loving husband John, and her grandson Deme Garibay.

Proverbs 31: 28-31

28 Her children arise and call her blessed;
her husband also, and he praises her:

29 "Many women do noble things,
but you surpass them all."

30 Charm is deceptive, and beauty is fleeting;
but a woman who fears the LORD is to be praised.

31 Honor her for all that her hands have done,
and let her works bring her praise at the city gate.

The service will be held Saturday, April 11th at 2 pm at Lakeview Missionary Church, 810 S. Evergreen Dr., Moses Lake, WA. It's open to all those who knew and loved her. In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting a donation be made to The Disabled American Vets or The American Legion in her name.

Previous Events

Service

APR 11. 2:00 PM (PT)

Lakeview Missionary Church
810 S. Evergreen
Moses Lake, WA

Tribute Wall

PT

“ *my deepest sympathy*

Pam Washburn Tea - April 01, 2015 at 03:28 PM



“ *Mrs. Blackwood was the sweetest lady, I remember waiting on her and John at Buttrey's and then again at Marketplace. They were always happy and so in love John use to tell us she was the best half of his world. I am so glad they are together again. I know you have lots of great memories to get you through this sad time. Donna Anderson*

Donna Anderson - March 16, 2015 at 06:15 PM

DA

Thank you for the kind words. They were quite the couple and now they're reunited. Bless you and take care.

Dara Allen - April 01, 2015 at 01:37 PM

LM

Our Auntie Marie was a gift to all of us, She loved everyone and cared for them, She was raised that way it was shown through her parents with caring hearts and love. So many stories we cherish about her. When I got married into the Matthews family I knew I was getting a very big extended family with a lot of new aunts and uncles & cousins. That was a great reward to me. When Ken and I got married Aunt Marie attended our wedding, she got all of us crying (more bawling) when she saw Ken and his parents walk him down the church aisle. There was no dry eye in the pews ...

On her 85th Birthday Ken and Josh and I surprised her at her door with flowers and cupcakes, cards ...singing "Happy Birthday" to her. She was on the phone to her sister in law Our Auntie Eloise and said OH MY Kenny and Lee Ann and Josh are at my door singing to me, she began to cry...and hung up from talking on the phone. She talked about that all evening that we traveled all the way from Olympia to sing to her. She would tell us if "You do not stay at my house I will not talk to you any more" Many times we came to visit and stayed. She loved to spoil you, She made Josh home made pancakes from bisquit one morning a few years back, she told Josh "You better get up early Josh for my pancakes." We made sure he was... Auntie Marie sent home with us her homemade BBQ sauce for Josh's ribs. She always had her door open and people come and go. She was a true wonderful woman whom people fell in love with. She had the gift of gardening and canning and telling stories. Love the family stories and the teasing and memories of her brothers and sister one summer under the Apple tree in Puyallup. Neice and nephews were special to her and Uncle John But her family was her Joy and you would see it in her eyes. She was proud of all her children and grand and great grandchildren. All were her life.

We will miss her so much but we know The Lord had her room ready and Uncle John and her parents & siblings were waiting for her to greet her home to heaven, What a Joy on her face when she saw them and Jesus, Yes Jesus was a big part of her life She was blessed to share so much with all of us. We will miss and love her. Rest and enjoy your journey Auntie Marie. I know you will peek through the holes of heaven floors to touch our souls with your spirit that we long miss. Love you so much! with love Ken, Lee Ann, Josh and Nathan Matthews

Lee Ann Matthews - April 01, 2015 at 03:32 PM

JB

Thank you Lee Ann for such beautiful thoughts. We are missing her so much. Love Johnny

John Blackwood - April 03, 2015 at 11:24 AM