



Marva Jo Vance

October 15, 1942 - June 20, 2017

Marva Jo Vance, 74, a resident of Ephrata passed away Tuesday, June 20, 2017 at home, her family at her side. She was born in Bonners Ferry, Idaho on October 15, 1942, daughter of the late Donald and Winona (Everhart) Hill. She was married to Michael "Mike" Vance and they have lived in Moses Lake and for the last 30 years in Ephrata.

Marva drove school bus for many years and enjoyed beadwork (jewelry making), baking and was the "queen quilter" meeting once a week with friends at a local church. Many friends are going to miss her carrot cake and other baked goods!

Survivors include her husband, Mike Vance; good friends, Brent and Jan Stredwick, Joyce Ross, Thomas Stredwick, Matthew Stredwick and Jacob Stredwick.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, July 1, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. at Bethlehem Chapel Assembly of God, 612 3rd Ave. SE, Ephrata, WA.

Previous Events

Service

JUL 1. 2:00 PM (PT)

Bethlehem Chapel Assembly of God
612 3rd Ave S.E.
Ephrata, WA 98823

Tribute Wall

JH

“ Because our families lived together in the 1940's, some of my early memories are with Marva. We were the same age-Marva said she was older, but I knew better! We used our baby buggies to haul leaves or rocks. She was fast. I was slow. She missed the barbed wire fence, but I ran into it! Decades later, I would go to Ephrata to attend sewing classes with Marva and then we'd sew into the night. She finished first. We even had a "girls" slumber night on Aunt Winnie's living room floor.

Marva was an energetic, creative and generous person who had fun along the way!

Thanks Marva for all the food, encouragement and a lifetime of memories.

May you feel God's love and peace as you are reunited with those you love and may God bless and comfort Mike and all of us who will miss you..

Janet Herron, the "older" cousin

Janet Herron - June 28, 2017 at 04:09 PM

GK

“ I remember going to visit our cousins the Hills', Marva Jo, Steve and Nancy and having lots of fun. It was always with great anticipation getting to visit at various times. Fondly remember walking east on the street from where they lived and stopped at the Orange Sherbet place called "ZESTO" many times in our pre-teen years, making hand cranked home-made ice cream with Marva and others at the Everhart grandparents in Bonners Ferry Idaho at family gatherings, having Marva's help (and Mikes) at my parents home after they passed away, plus her faithful attendance at my folks 50th and 60th wedding anniversaries, & etc.

Shocked and saddened to learn of her unexpected passing. May the good Lord ease the sorrow of family members.

Cousin, Gary L.Kuntz

Gary L. Kuntz - June 24, 2017 at 04:29 PM

CA

“ She'll be missed so very much! We thank God for bringing Marva Jo/ Mike into our lives. I was graced by Marva's many craft talents that she taught me & delicious recipes...Don will miss her wonderful brownies! The time spent together were special. We were introduced to AZ. life by Marva's guidance. All the years Marva & I did gleaning of farm fields for apples, potatoes, onions, & carrots were fun times!

We find a hole in our hearts now. God bless you, Mike!



Carolyn Anderson - June 23, 2017 at 09:13 PM

TG

“ Mike it's been so many years since we've talked. I'm so very sorry for your loss.

Tina and Chuck Gorman

Tina Gorman - June 21, 2017 at 11:28 PM

MH

“ Rest In Peace Marva. Our condolences to her family. Vi Shrewsbury and Mellony Shrewsbury Henager.

mellony Shrewsbury Henager - June 21, 2017 at 03:30 PM



“ Such a beautiful woman who loved deeply. We will miss her warm smile, baked goods and hugs. Prayers for Mike and family ❤️

Deana Riley - June 21, 2017 at 02:18 PM

DC

“ 1 file added to the tribute wall



Donna Russell, cousin - June 21, 2017 at 06:14 AM

DC

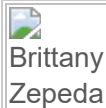
“ I will forever miss you my double cousin. May you rest in piece as you are reunited with your loved ones. Donna Russell

Donna Russell, cousin - June 21, 2017 at 06:04 AM

JR

“*Marva bustled into my life, food in one hand, basket of her latest handwork in the other. settled in and declared me her sister. We have had wonderful adventures, heart to heart talks, artist collaborations and boundless joy. I reveled in her friendship, knowing that whatever she said was 100% true, guileless. She loved me unconditionally-as she has all she claimed as hers. I love that she was not a stranger to the political process, locally and beyond, posting letters to the Editor, writing her congressmen, even the IRS when she thought they deserved it. She will be sorely missed, may our Heavenly Father watch over her and keep her safely by his side, and keep her busy!*
(Lovingly posted by her sister in heart, Joyce Ross)

Joyce Ross - June 20, 2017 at 10:15 PM



Brittany
Zepeda

This is beautifully written and sounds just like Marva. I'm missing her already

Brittany Zepeda - June 21, 2017 at 12:01 PM

JU

*Our prayers are with you family and I will miss you my friend. We were high school class mates.
Jan Unruh, San Antonio, Texas*

Jan Unruh - June 21, 2017 at 06:33 PM

PS

*So sorry for you loss. I know she will be sorely missed. I enjoyed seeing her at the Ephrata Food bank and all the goodies she provided for us. God speed, Marva
Pat and Dale Sanderson*

Pat Sanderson - June 22, 2017 at 10:50 PM

LW

So sorry for your loss. I met Marva Jo while we were both attending night school back in the 60's in Moses Lake. We had some fun visits and my children enjoyed playing with her children. I'm here visiting and was shocked and sadden when my daughter opened the paper and read about Marva Jo's passing. Prayers. RIP Marva. Lenora Waldron

Len Waldron - June 26, 2017 at 10:33 PM