



## Sandra G. "Sandy" Rogers

August 4, 1933 - May 14, 2010

Sandra "Sandy" G. Rogers, 76, a longtime resident of Moses Lake, went home to the Lord on 5/14/10 at 1:53 p.m. Sandy was saved and redeemed in Christ Jesus. Born during a dust storm on 8/3/1933 in Pumpkin Creek Nebraska her family relocated to Moses Lake in 1942. She married Keith Lybbert on 11/ 22/50, and was blessed with 1 son before Keith's death in 1961. She wedded Ralph R. Rogers on 2/16/62 with whom had 4 daughters. Sandy was humorous, witty & loved to entertain her friends & family. She spent her life serving others without hesitation & much humility. In her younger years she managed the Hilltop Cafe and waitressed the Turf and Eagles Club. She was a awesome cook who quite possibly made the best spaghetti & BBQ sauces this side of the Mississippi. She enjoyed fishing & camping, was an avid reader, played piano and was a devout gardener who was famous for her dinner-plate dahlias & vegetable gardens. She taught her children the art of canning & embroidery, vintner and tenacious worker. In later years Sandy talked fondly of her trips to Canada to out-fish her husband. Her quick wit & ability to make us all laugh despite any situation are what set her apart & made her so special. For 20 yrs, Sandy sacrificed herself in the care-taking role for both her mother in law & parents.

Sandy was preceded in death by her beloved daughter Karen Erickson, her parents Allie & Marie Abbs, her siblings Dale, William & Wyona Sterling. She is survived by her husband Ralph, Moses Lake. Her children A. Keith Lybbert, Spokane, Sharon & Jeff Zornes, Stafford, VA, Julie & Matt Ornelas, Renton,

Lori & Rob Kightlinger, Elko, NV. Her grandchildren: Nicole & Chaz Kearns, Larissa Erickson, Thomas Zornes, Kody, Tia, Kaitlin, Isaiah, Malachi, Silas, and Journey Anderson, Joshua, Rachel Ornelas. Great Grandchildren: Korey Kearns, Christopher, Alyssa and Breann Lybbert, Family: Rosella & John Damm, Bea & Don Stephenson, William Abbs, , Ron Sterling, BJ & Jodie Abbs, Gary Abbs, , Shay Stephenson, Stacy & Jim Thorp, Wesley Stephenson.

Her family humbly thanks her friends & neighbors for their compassionate care and prayers.

Graveside services will be conducted at at 1:30 P.M. on Monday, May 17th, 2010, at Sunset Memorial Gardens in Warden, WA.

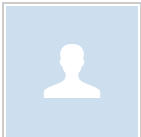
# Tribute Wall



“ *Our Dear Friends: We will always treasure all our memories of you and Sandy. What would we two dumb kids with our three little ones have done without our newly found Mom(Sandy)and Dad(Ralph)? You always made room for us no matter how tired you were. Your home was so full of love, life and laughter. Thank you for sharing the good the bad and the ugly with us. Sharon, Julie, and Lori, I see your Mom’s beauty in each of you...the way you move, the way you speak, the way you smile and in your strength. Hug your Dad and each other for us whenever you can. It was such a joy to see all of you. Our memories of all of you remains strong even though miles and time has kept us apart. Ralph you were my best teacher when we worked together at the PD and Mike will always treasure the wonderful fishing trips you have shared with him. Now, both our families are raised but our friendship is still very much in tact. All the memories are there to hold. Thanks to both you and Sandy for being such wonderful friends. Love Joan and Mike.###imported-begin##Joan and Mike###imported-end##*

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January 31, 2011 at 07:11 PM



“ *I had the opportunity to meet Sandy one time but it was a very good experience that I will never forget. I got the wonderful blessing of learning to make her wonderful spaghetti sauce with her and Karen. She and Ralph opened up their home to us while visting Moses Lake 16 years ago. I only wish we had been able to see her much much more. Rest in Peace Sandy.###imported-begin##Crystal Lybbert###imported-end##*

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June 01, 2010 at 12:55 PM



“ God Bless##imported-begin##Larry Wiuxom##imported-end##

May 31, 2010 at 02:15 AM



“ WE WILL MISS HER...##imported-begin##A.KEITH LYBBERT##imported-end##

May 30, 2010 at 07:42 PM



“ I only met Sharons mom once, almost thirty years ago but still remember her fondly.##imported-begin##Curt Laws##imported-end##

May 19, 2010 at 01:08 PM



“ To Ralph and the girls: We were so sorry to hear of Sandy's passing. You guys were great neighbors and I wanted to thank you for all of the things you did for our Mom and Dad. I know that Dad got to be a handful but you always treated him with love and respect. Please accept our sincere condolences. Rick Kataoka and Joyce McCarter##imported-begin##The Kataoka Family##imported-end##

May 19, 2010 at 02:05 AM



“ *Ralph and Family:*

*My heart, thoughts and prayers are with you in your loss. Even though I haven't been close to your family these past years, I have fond memories of the good times we spent together. Sandy was a wonderful cook and one of the best canners I have ever known. I have used and enjoyed many of her recipes. Know now that she is at peace and no longer in pain.*

*I also have fond memories, Ralph, of the times we worked together at the police dept.*

*With Love,*

*Ev "Ma" Brown##imported-begin##Evelyn Brown##imported-end##*

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May 18, 2010 at 11:38 AM



“ May 16, 2010

*Dearest Mama-*

*What does one say when the time comes to say goodbye to the woman who gave them the gift of life? As I look back on the past 39 years I have been your baby so many emotions wash over me. I have so much regret that I did not find a better way to communicate to you how much I appreciated all that you sacrificed for your family. At times I was angry or frustrated that I lacked the kind of relationship with you that I craved when watching other women with their mothers. But looking back I can see that maybe things were just the way that they needed to be. That God's plan was truly perfect and if things had been different I would not be who I am today.*

*I have a pocket full of memories that I will carry to remind me of you for the rest of my days. They serve to keep me on track in my own parenting. My best memory of you was when I was a rebellionant teenager who stayed out all night sleeping off the effects in a woodpile at the little church around the corner. While I shivered all night in the February cold under that snowy woodpile, you stayed up waiting for me. The next morning when I stumbled in wearing only one boot, ( I had lost the other one in the woodpile.) you said one thing to me. It was not a lengthy speech about my obvious poor choices or harsh testimony about the punishment I surely deserved. You simply said..." So... shall we go find that boot?" Astounded at your grace we walked arm in arm down the street laughing at my foolish behavior. It's funny that this memory is the one that stands out to me about my mother... But when I really search my heart I realize that it was because it taught me the most important lesson of all in life. It taught me GRACE. It taught me forgiveness. Lessons I would later need to get me through the darkest of days following a painful divorce.*

*If there is one thing I think you gave me of yours I would say it was not my green eyes, small stature or love of music, but my sense of humor. Your quick wit and outgoingness is the trait of yours that I*

*inherited that I am most proud of. It has gotten me almost every job I have ever landed, every man I have ever loved and out of the most sticky of situations. There was so much expression in your eyes mom. Even in the end I could see what you were trying to say by just looking into those grey blue eyes. I am comforted by what I saw. They said... " I am ready." They said " I love you." And somehow they said "I will see you soon."*

*I used to think that it was sad that you never did get to travel, or do the things that you wanted to do in your life. But after much thought in the last couple days I realize, that maybe you were doing what you wanted to do with your life RIGHT HERE. Your sacrifices for all of us are obvious, but what's amazing is that they weren't out of obligation, but out of your own servants desire.*

*So as you step into the eternal peace of God's kingdom, please know that we are proud to have had you as our mother. You were our friend, our confidant and our hero in so many ways. We will teach our own daughters all the wonderful lessons you did teach us. The cooking, the cleaning tips, the numerous things that we learned is a wealth of information to pass on to this next generation... all of that came from you mama.*

*So fly away pretty girl. Go rest in the lap of King Jesus. I am sure the first thing he will say to you will be..."Well done thy good and faithful little servant."*

*I love you....*

*Bugs.##imported-begin##Lori Anderson##imported-end##*

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May 16, 2010 at 04:35 PM



*“ I will miss you my love. You gave me wonderful years and children.*

*So long my fishing partner and confident.*

*Ralph##imported-begin##Ralph R. Rogers##imported-end##*

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May 16, 2010 at 12:04 PM



“ Ten things you taught me:

1. *That God is real.*
2. *That we all are imperfect and need understanding.*
3. *That people's value is not what is in your pocketbook but that which is in your heart.*
4. *That doing more for other's than yourself is good for the soul.*
5. *Hard work is not only necessary but required.*
6. *Pulling weeds in life gives you time with God and a good garden to tender.*
7. *The art of cooking especially frying chicken is in the process of good preparation.*
8. *You have to not watch water come to a boil because there are other things you could use with your time.*
9. *To take time to watch the clouds and the stars, because they show you how small you are in this world and the magnitude of God's glory and magnitude.*
10. *To cherish those around you for you know not how long you will have them to drink tea with.*

*Mama, I love and will miss our times to talk and garden together. You are always apart of me and I love you so much. My heart is breaking but I rejoice to know you are in Heaven now and no longer suffer here. See you there, kiss the Lord's feet for me.##imported-begin##Sharon G. (Rogers) Zornes##imported-end##*

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May 16, 2010 at 11:24 AM