



## Winnie McLean

March 19, 1918 - November 3, 2011

Winnie McLean of Moses Lake passed away suddenly at Hearthstone Retirement Inn on Nov. 3, 2011. Services were held on Tuesday, Nov. 8th at Kayser's Chapel with burial at Mold Cemetery, Mold, Washington. Please sign the online guestbook at [www.kayserschapel.com](http://www.kayserschapel.com) Arrangements were in care of Kayser's Chapel & Crematory, Moses Lake.

Winnie was born on March 19, 1918 in Supplee, Washington to Alfred and Minnie Smart.

On Oct. 5, 1938 she married Harold McLean, the love of her life, in Davenport, Washington. They made their home on the ranch north of Coulee City for the next 58 years. From this union, three children were born: William L. McLean, Bonita R. Welch, and John L. McLean.

Winnie together with Mabel McLean and Babe Adams, baked cakes for special occasions and catered weddings for approximately 15 years. Cake Central was Winnie's house. For the most part, a wedding cake for 100 people was a two day process. Most often Winnie would bake the cakes the day before they were to be decorated. They were elaborately decorated with hundreds of tiny silver beads with each bead put on with a pair of tweezers. Winnie and the other ladies made the wedding cakes for each of her children as well as the Adams and McLean children. They were truly an amazing trio. After Harold's death in 1996, Winnie remained in her home on the ranch for the next 8 years. While still on the ranch, she remained very active in the St. Andrews Grange. Winnie, along with several other ladies, spent hours in the

grange hall making lap robes for area nursing homes and quilts for the Ronald McDonald House. They also made a quilt each year for the raffle that was held at Christmas time.

Winnie was an avid knitter and made many afghans for all of her family. After moving to the Hearthstone, she made several afghans that were used for raffles at the Hearthstone. She also made 20 to 25 stocking caps each year for the Head Start Program. At the time of her death, she had just completed enough caps for this years Head Start class.

Winnie was a great homemaker, cook and a wonderful grandmother. Her cooking was legendary – she could put a meal on the table for several people on short notice. Many people still remember the great meals they had at her house.

Winnie is survived by two sons, William McLean (Beverly), and John McLean (Shirley); one daughter, Bonita Welch (David); six grandchildren, Linda McLean, a granddaughter by marriage, Deanna Rice (Wayne), Bill Welch (Jennifer), Laurie Wilson (Tanner), Ted McLean (Hollie), and Ruth Walker (Seth); seven great grandchildren, Lee McLean, Cheyenne McLean, Kylie Welch, Teagan Welch, Elliott Welch, Megan Wilson and Brandon Wilson.

Winnie was preceded in death by her husband, Harold McLean, one grandson, Dean McLean, her parents, five sisters, Mary Asmussen, Neva Avenell, Hazel Snell, Edith Smith and Mildred Glessner, and one brother, Stanley Smart.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

NOV 8. 8:00 AM - 9:15 AM (PT)

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

## Service

NOV 8. 10:00 AM (PT)

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# Tribute Wall



“ I was late in hearing of Winnie’s passing and felt so bad that I didn’t know in time to honor her with the respect of being in attendance at her memorial. She was a wonderful friend. So many times (when working at Hearthstone) I would go up to her room after I clocked out to go home from work. I found such comfort just sitting and visiting with Winnie. She had a way of making you feel like family. She will hold a special place in my heart. She was the mother, I always wished for. Winnie will surely be missed.##imported-begin##Connie Fesler##imported-end##

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January 05, 2012 at 09:59 PM



“ She may be gone, but she will never be forgotten. Through those memories she helped create with you, she will always be with you.

*With fond memories of a great woman,*

*Diane##imported-begin##Diane Adams Griffith##imported-end##*

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November 12, 2011 at 09:15 PM



“ I was so sad to read about the passing of Winnie in the Coulee paper. She was a great friend to our Mom, Babe, and such a special lady. She will be remembered always for her smile and warm greetings for all of us.

*My prayers go out to her family##imported-begin##Judy Bach##imported-end##*

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November 12, 2011 at 07:58 PM



“ So sorry to hear about Winnie, a dear lady. Thinking and praying for the family.

*Doug and Patsy*##imported-begin##*Doug and Patsy Tanneberg*##imported-end##

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November 08, 2011 at 03:12 PM



“ Dear McLean families,  
I am so sorry about the loss of Winnie! She did a wonderful job of raising 3 great children. My love, thoughts and prayers are with you all. May God comfort you and keep you!

Love,  
*Betty Treacy*##imported-begin##*Betty Treacy*##imported-end##

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November 07, 2011 at 02:50 PM



“ Please know that my thoughts and prayers are there with you as you have lost your wonderful mother. I am thankful to have seen the obit in the Spokesman Review.##imported-begin##*Marlys (McGrath) Achey*##imported-end##

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November 06, 2011 at 04:56 PM



“ Dear Winnie, her friends and family... I met Winnie when visiting Alice Walker, Ileen Butterfield and other friends at Heathstone. Winnie IS a friendly and sweet senior who is full of personality and character. My mother, Margaret Della Call Oman, was selected in the early 1960's to go back to Washington D.C. and St. Louis to help put together the Head Start program. I noticed the service work that Winnie tirelessly dedicated to the youngsters with Head Start. Thank you, Winnie. With this kind of heartfelt action the World can, will and shall be a better place. You will surely be missed by all "till we meet again at Jesus feet." God bless you all....  
Love, David Miles Oman##imported-begin##David Miles Oman##imported-end##

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November 06, 2011 at 08:08 AM