



Barbara Rollett Hein

February 23, 1924 - April 22, 2011

Barbara Rollett (Gilbert) Hein

Graham, WA

Barbara was born on February 23, 1924, to Herschel and Bernice (Duckering) Gilbert in Wenatchee. She was raised on the Gilbert Ranch, located on the Columbia River across from the Spanish Castle. She graduated from Wenatchee High School in 1941, and then graduated from Kellogg Business School in Wenatchee. Barbara married Lowell W. Sturtz on October 20, 1941, and they raised four children. She married Gregory Z. Bitter on December 3, 1968. Greg passed away in April, 1976. On May 22, 1978, she married Richard D. Hein. Richard passed away in February, 2010. Barbara was very active in community and church affairs. She served two terms as President of the Wenatchee Emblem Club #253 and held numerous offices in the National Emblem Club. She served as President of Mary Kay Guild for Retarded Children, Wenatchee Women of Rotary, Phi Sigma Alpha - Alpha Gamma Chapter, and was organizer and first chairman of the Fruit Ladies Association. She served three years as Out-of-Town Apple Blossom Princess Chaperon and was a former member of the Wenatchee Golf and Country Club and Three Lakes Golf Club. Barbara was a member of First United Methodist Church of Wenatchee and served four years as Administration Board Secretary and was on the Outreach Commission. Following her retirement

from The Cascadian Fruit Shippers in 1986 after 30 years as Executive Secretary, Barbara and Dick moved to Kent and became members of Kent United Methodist Church. She served four years as Administration Board Secretary, was on the Outreach Commission and served at the Kent Food and Clothing Bank. Following Dick's retirement, they bought a mini-farm outside of Graham, WA. They both loved to garden, constantly canning, freezing and enjoying their endless supply of fresh produce. They joined the Light of the Hill United Methodist Church and served on the Outreach Commission and Barbara served another four years as Administration Board Secretary. They changed to the Puyallup United Methodist Church, again joining the Outreach Commission and volunteering at the Graham Food Bank. Throughout her life, Barbara traveled all over the United States, plus Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean, Japan and Far East. Besides gardening, Barbara loved golf, walking, sewing and knitting.

Barbara was preceded in death by her parents; husbands, Gregory Bitter and Richard Hein; two sisters, Mary Lou Frisbie and Dorothy Jean Sederquist; and step-son, Richard Hein Jr. She is survived by her sister, Vivian Genoway of Clarkston, WA; her four children, Steve (Kathy) Sturtz of Chelan, Ronald (Sandy) Sturtz of East Wenatchee, Raymond (Barbara) Sturtz of Arlington, WA and Connie (William) McDermott of Corpus Christi, TX; step-children, Teresa Sizemore of Entiat and Cheryl Hein of Ephrata; ten grandchildren; and eight great-grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be held Saturday, April 30, 2011, at 2:00 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, 941 Washington Street, Wenatchee. Memorial donations may be made to Cancer Care of NCW or a charity of your choice. Arrangements are by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.