



## Beulah Catherine (Hopkins) Braun

July 25, 1912 - October 24, 2009

Beulah Catherine "Billie" Hopkins Braun passed into her eternal rest October 24, 2009. Beulah was born July 25, 1912, in Buffalo, MN to Mary Victoria Sauer and John Hopkins. When she was 18 years old, in 1930, after graduating from high school, she traveled by train to Wenatchee to find work. She sought a climate that would help her escape the discomfort of Rheumatic Fever and Wenatchee was attractive because one of her aunts worked here as a stewardess on a riverboat. Beulah found work at the Interstate Telephone Company and subsequently met Martin "Brownie" Braun, whom she married in 1932. There, one child, Beulah Sharon, was born in 1936. Widowed in 1961, Billie went to work for Allen Furniture and, out of necessity, learned to drive. Most of all, mom loved her home, garden and cooking wonderful meals for friends, who were always put before her own needs.

Beulah was preceded in death by her husband, Martin "Brownie" Braun; her parents; three brothers; and two sisters. She is survived by her daughter, Beulah S. Friedrich and husband, Norman; grandchildren, Sharon Lee and husband, Rick of Seattle, James Friedrich and wife, Lisa of Kansas and Elizabeth Hurst and husband, Tom of East Wenatchee; nine great-grandchildren; and one sister, June Rosemary Hayes of East Wenatchee.

The family would especially like to thank Dr. Barbara Bates, hospice nurses Gail Dix and Barbara Kane, whose love and care was outstanding.

A Memorial Service will be held at 1:00 p.m., Saturday, November 21, 2009, at Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee. Memorial Donations may be made to the Wenatchee Valley Humane Society or Pasado's Safe Haven at [www.pasadosafehaven.org](http://www.pasadosafehaven.org) or a charity of choice. Arrangements directed by Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.