



Eileen M. Booker-Hansen

January 16, 2012

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Malaga, WA

Eileen Booker-Hansen passed away peacefully with her daughter, Diane and grandson, Andrew by her side, at Central Washington Hospital on January 16, 2012. She was born July 27, 1944, at Deaconess Hospital in Spokane, WA, to Edward and Ellen Quinlivan. She lived in Tekoa, WA until her junior year of high school, when her family moved to Othello, WA for a new job opportunity for her father. In 1961, her father passed away. Eileen graduated Othello High School in 1962, and married her first husband, Randy, in October of that year. Randy died in a tragic farming accident in 1979, and Eileen remained in Othello for four more years. She met Frosty Hansen through Parents Without Partners in 1982, and married him in July the following year and moved to the Colockum. She worked with Gray's Electric and Trinity United Methodist Church as secretary, organist and then later for Kelley's answering service. After leaving her job at Kelley's, she became a full time housewife and bookkeeper for the family farm, D & J Grain Sales, which her two sons operated for a while during their high school years. She loved doing the bookkeeping and was trying to show Diane how to take over that aspect, when she was diagnosed with cancer two years ago. Diane has taken a majority of the last two years off work as needed to help Frosty care for her

and keep her at home, per her wishes up, until two days before her passing, when that was no longer an option.

We would like to say a special thanks to Dr. Mitch Garrison and staff, Dr. Jason Grosdidier and staff, as well as Central Washington Hospital, for the care and compassion the past couple of days and Central Washington Hospice for all their help, compassion and care to keep her home as long as possible, we could not have done it without you!

The love that was shared between Eileen and Frosty was indescribable, they were so happy and in love, even beyond her passing. Frosty and Eileen traveled to Hawaii and loved going to Ocean Shores. Going to the ocean was her way of relaxing after cherry harvest and enjoying a well deserved down time with her loving husband. When we found out about the cancer, we promised to keep her home as long as possible, we gave her that. Sadly, in 1993, her son, David Hansen, died in his sleep from sleep apnea. She was heartbroken over this loss as she and David had become quite close. Her family and friends will miss her dearly, but she is no longer in pain and finally free to be with those who have passed before her, as well as the passing of their beloved dog, Skip, who passed away Christmas Eve morning this past year. She said "Skip, I'll see you soon," and she was comforted to know David and Skip would be waiting for her.

She is survived by her wonderful and loving husband, Frosty Hansen and dog, Dakardi of their Malaga home; as well as her brother, Eric Quinlivan of Surprise, AZ; her children, Chris (Chris) Booker Sarwine of Spokane, Diane Graves of Malaga, Sara (Rich) Godsey of Tacoma, Jon Booker of Pullman and Debi (Roy) Cerrillo of Pullman; and her loving grandchildren, Kirstjn and Andrew Hansen of Malaga, and Michael Bane and Elena and Hannah Cerrillo, all of Pullman.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the family home to help with expenses incurred, Central Washington Hospice or placed in an account for her first and only great-granddaughter, Zoey Nicole, who will arrive in February and whom she had wanted to be here long enough to meet and love. Her grandchildren and the special relationships with them meant everything to her. Kirstjn and Andrew will miss her being their "sounding board" and all the long talks she shared with them. Eileen looked forward to her morning conversations with Andrew and she was so proud of granddaughter, Kirstjn, for placing top four in the nation for swine production in 2004, and for obtaining her job with Eastmont Animal Clinic, doing what she loves. Mom, we kept our promises to you and will continue to honor you and your memory; we had a lot of great times and you will be so missed. We have gained another angel and it's not goodbye but ~ "we'll see you again."

A Private Family Gathering will be held at a later date. Eileen's wishes were for Cremation and her ashes be spread in Othello. Special thanks to Rick Phillips and the staff at Telford's Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.