



Marlys Parsons

October 3, 1931 - March 11, 2023

Marlys Parsons passed away peacefully on March 11, 2023. She is the daughter of Barney and Vicki Telford, and was born in Opheim, MT, on October 3, 1931, the tenth in a family of 13 children. She grew up there until, at the age of 12, the family moved to Plain, WA, where she attended school in Leavenworth.

After graduating High School, Marlys worked for the US Fish & Wildlife Service. Eventually, she met Ben Parsons and married him in August 1952. He was the love of her life and together they raised their three children in Bridgeport, WA. They had a good life filled with many friends and activities. Growing apples was their life's work and serving their church and community was a way of life for both of them. Mom was active in the Lake Woods Women's Golf Club, the Douglas County Elections Board, and the Red Cross - helping families get information on loved ones serving in Vietnam. She later volunteered at Cancer Care House in Wenatchee.

Ben died in 1993, and a year later Marlys moved to Wenatchee where she lived happily surrounded by many of her siblings and family gatherings. Mom was always true to what she believed, always supportive of those she loved, always faithful to her Lord. She believed in serving others, was a great friend, a life-long Republican, and a proud American. She always expressed her gratitude for the many blessings she received.

Marlys is survived by her children: Paula (Jan) Gregersen, Rod (Cheryl) Parsons, Brian (Anita) Parsons, 8 grandchildren and 6 great-grandchildren, 2 sisters - Marilyn Crollard and Delta Wood, and brother Jim Telford, brothers-in-law Ted Parsons and Tom Dark, and sister-in-law Sonja Parsons, and MANY nieces and nephews and friends.

Memorial Service is Friday, March 24, 2023, 2:00 pm at First United Methodist Church, 941 Washington St., Wenatchee. Burial is Friday, March 24, 2023, 10:00 am in Bridgeport.

Donations in memory of Marlys may be made to First United Methodist Church, Wenatchee, or to Cancer Care House, Wenatchee.

Arrangements by Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

Previous Events

Visitation

MAR **23**. 3:00 PM - 5:00 PM (PT)

Chapel of the Valley
378 Eastmont Ave.
East Wenatchee, WA 98802
(509) 884-3561
info@chapelofthevalleyncw.com

Graveside

MAR **24**. 10:00 AM (PT)

Bridgeport Cemetery
15th St & Fisk Ave
Bridgeport, WA 98813

Memorial Service

MAR **24**. 2:00 PM (PT)

First United Methodist Church
941 Washington St
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Tribute Wall

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“ This story is a typical one of how my mom always went out of her way to make your day special if it was your Birthday, or any reason to celebrate... My Birthday always landed during Spring Break, which meant I never got to have the classroom Birthday party that I wanted. By the time I was in High School, I had even more reason to feel sorry for myself because Dad made me work in the orchard pulling brush. The one consolation was that my friends were happy to join me, as Dad paid us, even though he for sure wasn't getting his money's worth. Anyway, there we were, on my Birthday, working away, and all day long no one said Happy Birthday to me. Finally, it was time to go home and I was ready and feeling pretty grumpy. We girls piled into whose ever car it was to drive out of the orchard, and my annoying brother and his friends were blocking the road so we couldn't pass. I said, "Just run over them!" Then they parted and there was Mom with the back of the car open and set up with Birthday cake and all. Everyone sang to me and laughed while I cried. That is the one Birthday party I will never forget.

Paula Gregersen - March 16, 2023 at 04:09 PM

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“ I will never forget Ms Marlys and her sweet hugs and kisses!!! She always made you feel so special and like she was extra happy to see your face when you came by for a visit! She will be missed.



Marlana Moses - March 15, 2023 at 11:36 PM