



Betty Jean Brown

March 16, 1928 - October 25, 2020

Betty Jean (Sickles) Brown passed away peacefully October 25, 2020 after a brief illness.

She was born March 16, 1928 in Monroe Washington to Parker and Alda Sickles.

Betty attended Bellingham High School and graduated in 1946. She met Ed Brown at Sternhagen's grocery store where he worked after returning home from WWII. They were married on Valentine's Day in 1947.

Betty was very active in the Harborview Lions and also the PTA while her children were in school. She retired from the Bellingham School District after working there as an Educational assistant for special needs children.

Betty and Ed made their home on Huron street for 64 years. They loved to travel and made special trips to the southwest and Hawaii with their family. Their family feels blessed to have so many memories.

Betty and Ed moved to Brookdale/Cordata Court in 2014. After Ed's passing Betty stayed at Cordata Court until her final illness saw her move to Christian Health Center where she passed away peacefully with her family visiting her at the room window.

Betty is survived by her sister, Shirley Haines (Rod) of Pasco; children, James Brown (Margaret), Steve Brown (Rebecca), Liesa Krause (Marty); and good friend Doug Morrison. She also leaves eight grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren, and 6 great-great grandchildren.

Donations may be made to Harborview Lions Club.

We would like to thank the care givers of Cordata Court, PeaceHealth St. Joseph, and Christian Healthcare Center for making her life as comfortable as possible.

Love you Mom, you are missed.

She will be laid to rest at Greenacres Memorial Park in Ferndale.

Tribute Wall

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“ I loved your mom, my aunt. Betty was so patient and generous. I always loved coming up to Bellingham. She always made me feel welcome!

Lori Overson - November 11, 2020 at 12:00 AM

JS

“ So sorry to read about your mom, Jim, Leisa, and Steve, I always loved both of your parents. They did get their start at my parents and grandmothers store! As a matter of fact my dad Johnny Sternhagen, called your mom for a date and pretended to be your dad! Because your dad was too shy to ask her out! And as the story goes she accepted, and the evening of that date, your dad drove around her block several times before he could get up the nerve to go to her door! He was almost late to pick her up! It's been a family story for all of us for over 74 years! The Brown's and the Sternhagen's go back a very long way! I even used to babysit you 3 when they all went dancing! Thinking of you all!
JoAn Sternhagen Siden

JoAn Siden - November 08, 2020 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ My Mom and Dad looked forward to having dinner with Betty and Sylvia Hinton at Brookdale. Mom said even if they couldn't always hear each other they had a lot of laughs. Dad grew up with Ed so there were always plenty of stories to tell about the old days and some newer ones from Betty about their life on Huron St. She was always the first person I saw walking into Brookdale and she knew all the latest news there. And my Mom always said how good her kids were to her in assisted living.

Melinda Wilson - November 06, 2020 at 12:00 AM