



Betty Jo Willert

January 1, 1970 - April 8, 2015

Betty Jo Willert, of Bellingham, WA went to be with her Lord on April 8th, 2015. She was 86. She was born on October 2, 1928 in Rogers, New Mexico to William Minor and Nettie Mae (Wilson) Strickland. Betty was a lifetime resident of Whatcom County. On July 4, 1947 Betty married the love of her life Thomas Edward Willert. With her husband by her side, they served as short term missionaries in Costa Rica, Fiji, Jamaica, Portugal, Samoa and Tonga. Following their mission work, they pastored Alger Valley Christian Center and Thousand Trails for 10 years. Betty enjoyed camping, fishing, and traveling with her husband and her four children. She always had a word of encouragement for others and never held back from sharing her faith in the Lord.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband Thomas, brothers Luke Lee and Mac Strickland, sister Kay Pope, daughter-in-law Nancy Willert, infant sister Lela Nae Strickland, granddaughter Tanya Davis, and infant grandson Michael Willert. She is survived by brother Bill Strickland, children Linda (Roger) Furr, Tom (Karen) Willert, Jeni (Mark) Walton, Deborah (Noam) Cohen; grandchildren Jason (Holly) Furr, Aaron (Kyoko) Furr; Cortney (Leah) Willert, Chris Davis; Brad (Mallory) Walton, Taylor Walton; Brian (Wendy) Lynch, Kevin (Christina) Lynch; great-grandchildren Ashley & Emily Furr, Dylan Furr; Trinity and Destiny Davis; Lydia Willert; Cooper, Carson, Cayden and Lexi Walton; Aubrey and Marcus Lynch; Noah and Hannah Lynch; and numerous

nieces & nephews and other relatives.

Wife, mother, grandma, aunt, sister and friend....you were loved and will be missed by many!

A visitation will be held April 15, 11:00 A.M., at which all are welcome to attend to be followed by a celebration of life at 1:00 P.M. at Moles Farewell Tributes Bellingham, 2465 Lakeway Dr. Burial will be at Bayview Cemetery. A reception will then be held in the Whatcom Reception Room and Courtyard at Moles Bellingham.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Debbie & (all loved ones) (Looked up to) admired your mom (& dad) so much . . . who were caring, gentle, “at home” kind of folk . . . who loved the people in an unconditional kind of way . . . you felt at ease in their company. They’re the best! & more so now in Glory! Love You . . . ~marjorie~. Just saw this today on-line 4/18/15*

Marjorie James - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *To the Willert Family, I’m so sorry to hear about Betty’s passing, she was truly a wonderful lady. I first met Betty when I was teaching Jeni baton, many, many, years ago. She was always so kind and so eager to help with anything I needed. She will be missed by her family and friends but sharing your many memories will help you get through this difficult time. My prayers and sympathy are with all of you. Nancie*

Nancie Silves - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I am so sorry for your loss. It is our loss too. Tommy and I cannot attend, but our thoughts and prayers will be with all of you. Your Mom was such an inspiration to me in my coming to the Lord.*

Luke Lee - April 08, 2015 at 12:00 AM