



Eleanor Lou Gendron

February 6, 2025

Eleanor Lou Gendron passed away on Sunday, February 6, at the age of 81 at Whatcom Hospice House in Bellingham, Washington.

Eleanor was born in Watertown, New York on October 12, 1940, to Leopold and Emma LaCroix. After graduating from high school, Eleanor attended business school and began working at Black-Clawson Company in Watertown. There she met her future husband and lifelong companion, Bertin Gendron. Eleanor and Bert were married in Watertown on November 19, 1960. Together, their life adventures took them from Watertown to Sorel and Montreal, Quebec; Beloit, Wisconsin; Vancouver, British Columbia; and Seattle, Point Roberts, and Lynden Washington. They had three children: Bruce (1961-2015), Gigi, and Brian.

Eleanor was a dedicated wife, mother, grandmother, friend, and most recently, great grandmother. She had a wide circle of family and friends whom she loved and who loved her dearly. She will always be remembered for her strength of character, her caring and consideration of others, and—above all else—her loving and generous spirit.

Eleanor is survived by her husband Bert; her daughter and son Gigi Reeves and Brian Gendron; her grandchildren Chris Leeking, Amy Littrell, and Joe Leeking; spouses and other close family members Shawn Reeves, Josh

Littrell, Tara Schmitz, and Jose Ramon Fernandez-Pena; and her great grandson Hudson Leeking.

A funeral mass in Eleanor's memory will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Lynden, Washington on Monday, February 14 at 11 a.m. Her brother-in-law and Bishop Emeritus, Lionel Gendron, PSS, will celebrate the mass. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network or the American Cancer Society.