



## Florence "Flo" Stuen

December 21, 1921 - August 12, 2019

Florence Alice "Flo" Stuen, 97, passed away on August 12, 2019. She was born on December 21, 1921 in Colfax, Washington, to Herbert and Gisela Mohr.

Flo grew up on a wheat farm, attended Washington State University, but left to join the WAVES, a unit of the U.S. Navy during World War II. During her service, Flo met her husband, Oliver John Stuen, a naval air officer. They were married on March 15, 1945 in Colfax and lived a full and happy life together for 63 years.

She and John settled in Seattle, and while he taught school and their three children were growing up, Flo worked as a high school secretary in the Seattle Public Schools and organized the district's Secretaries Union. Always a dedicated, hard worker, Flo also served for many years on the Board of the Seattle Youth Symphony. She was an excellent homemaker, a great seamstress, flower gardener, cook, and hostess, but Flo's real passion was bridge, which she loved playing even until recently.

After retirement, Flo and John moved to Shelter Bay near La Connor to enjoy their beautiful home, a full social life, and time to travel. This was their chance to visit family and friends around the U.S. and in Norway and Germany as well as to take several cruises and trips to Hawaii and Brazil. In 1990, they moved

to Bellingham to be closer to their family, especially their six grandsons. For many years, they had the joy of attending music recitals, sports, and school programs. Flo was a member of Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, the Daughters of Norway, the Gluten Intolerance Group of Bellingham, the Bellingham WAVES, and several bridge clubs.

Flo was a very special lady. She will always be remembered as a friend to many and a pillar among her relatives, always ready with loving thoughts and concerns for others. She will be greatly missed, but her memory will remain in our hearts.

Flo was preceded in death by her husband, John, her parents, and brother Arthur "Bud" Mohr. She is survived by her three children, John, Tom (Karen), Betsy (Jim Walker); her seven grandchildren, Melinda Calloway (Frank Branch), Eric (Andrea), Alex Walker (Kristina), Karl (Rachel), Bennett Walker (Allison), Mark (Breanne), Daniel (Tiffany); and her six great-grandchildren.

Her family would like to thank the staff and friends at Solstice Senior Living, Rosewood Villa Assisted Living, and North Cascades Health and Rehab Center.

A Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, September 7, 2019 at Christ the Servant Lutheran Church, 2600 Lakeway Dr., Bellingham, at 2:00 p.m.

Memorial gifts may be made to the church or to the Scandinavian Center at Pacific Lutheran University.

# Tribute Wall

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“ To Flo’s family,  
Our sincere condolences on Flo’s passing. I just came across her obituary today and am sorry to hear of this. Thank you for making us a part of your family’s gatherings and giving us the opportunity to share so many of Flo’s birthdays with her. I remember her and her WAVES group coming in for their regular lunch meetings and Flo setting the table with their special memorabilia for everybody. She was a beautiful lady inside and out and we will miss her.  
Our condolences,  
The Christopoulos family

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**Soula Christopoulos** - September 13, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Tom, your mother was born the same day as my mother. Just so you know...

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**ted royal** - September 01, 2019 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ David and I send our love to the entire family and our condolences to you all. Flo had pizzazz! She was always fun to be around, she gave good counsel, exuded warmth, and she wore her hats well!

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**Pamela Mueller** - August 19, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Tom, my wife and I give you are most sincere condolences with the passing of your mother. Are thoughts are with you at this time. Ted & Susan Royal

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**Ted Royal** - August 18, 2019 at 12:00 AM

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“ Goodbye, Dear Flo....I can still see her smile and her time repairing others jewelry problems...but most of all I remember her love of Music! A very dear lady!

Fondly,  
Gail

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**Gail Haines** - August 18, 2019 at 12:00 AM