



## Gladys Eileen Howard

October 7, 1921 - September 14, 2019

Gladys E. Howard, age 97, passed away surrounded by her loving family on Sept. 14, 2019 in Bellingham, WA. Gladys was a local business owner of the Gladbag Arts and Crafts Boutique for over 31 years, located in the York neighborhood. She was a talented artist who painted on canvas, glass, and metal. She hosted numerous ceramic and painting classes over the years and was a lover of all furry and feathered critters.

She was the mother of 6 children, grandmother of 9, great-grandmother of 21, and great-great grandmother of 2. Gladys is survived by her sons Donald Howard of Lynden, and Doug Howard of Ferndale, daughters Sandy Celec of Ferndale, Patricia Strickler of Bellingham, and sister Sheila Foster of New Westminster, B.C. She was preceded in death by her husband William E. Howard, her son William A. Howard, and her daughter Sheilla Jones-Knutzen.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday October 5, 2019 at 1:00 p.m. at Moles Farewell Tributes – Greenacres (5700 Northwest Dr. Ferndale, WA 98248).

# Tribute Wall

CF

“ Gladys was always ready for a family gathering and fun. She was the bond holding our whole family together through all the years. Gladys lived life to the fullest, filled with happiness, kindness and understanding. Gladys, you will be greatly missed every day. Whenever we have future family gatherings, I know you will still be with us in spirit. We all miss and love you so much. Carol (daughter-in-law)

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**Carol & family** - October 05, 2019 at 12:00 AM

SA

“ My mother. It's been hard loosing you. We spent so much time together these last several years, now, there's only an emptiness left. It's selfish to wish that you could still be here, I know. You had a long hard struggle lately, and I'm glad you can finally have some peace. I'll miss you always .....

Sam

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**Sam** - September 29, 2019 at 12:00 AM

TF

“ I miss you so much already Grandma. Our family get togethers at your house were always so special to me as a kids. Everything was always just perfect and I’ve tried to carry that tradition on with my kids. I cherish so many memories old and new. My favorite memory was sitting in your room on your bed a year or so ago talking and laughing like friends. I laughed so hard that my stomach hurt. I hope that things are so beautiful in heaven. I hope that everyone was waiting there for you like you anticipated and that you are making everyone laugh and smile. Until we meet again, I will keep your memory alive in my heart and stories that I share with my kids and grandchildren about you. I miss you Grandma. Heaven gained a beautiful Angel!. ?

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**Tina and family** - September 27, 2019 at 12:00 AM

RH

“ Don and I will miss you forever Mother. You were the “rock” of the family. The cement that held us all together. We looked forward to our Mondays with you. 97 years weren’t enough. We always hoped for just one more when a milestone was passed. You will forever be in our hearts. With love,  
Your loving son and daughter (in-law).

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**Rhonda Howard** - September 27, 2019 at 12:00 AM

PP

“ All I can say is your mother was one of a kind! I say that it a good way. I was fortunate to be with her a lot the past 20 years. We all loved her in the office. It will be strange without the since of humor. Love to all of you and don’t be strangers please.

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**Pam Page** - September 21, 2019 at 12:00 AM