



Isabelle Doreen Hatch

August 20, 1926 - July 28, 2025

Hatch, Isabelle Doreen (98) passed away on July 28, 2025, in her home in Bellingham, WA. Isabelle was born on August 20, 1926, in Nooksack, WA to Jack S Baird and Gertie M Baird (Edin). In her early years Isabelle lived with her family in a home with no electricity, with a gas lantern she said was brighter than electric light.

Isabelle attended Nooksack grade school, and in the 4th grade she met her best friend Marge Rhodes when their family moved to Nooksack. Isabelle and Marge spent hours thinking of pranks to play on others. Isabelle picked strawberries, raspberries, & beans in the summer and the money earned was proudly spent on new school clothes.

Isabelle attended Sumas – Nooksack High School, later named Nooksack Valley High school, and was an usher in the auditorium when programs were scheduled, a member of the girls chorus, and girls sports. During high school, their entertainment was roller skating on Friday nights, where she met her future husband, Vernon Hatch. Isabelle and Vernon were married April 2, 1944. They lived on the family farm and in Bellingham. In 1950 they bought their property on the Mt. Baker Hwy, where they cleared enough land, using their car to pull stumps, to build their home.

Isabelle worked at Sears Roebuck and Co., in the Bellingham downtown store

for 19 years. After working days, she would stay up sewing until 11:00pm. She had many hobbies she enjoyed, in addition to sewing, she loved oil painting, knitting, and later created 3D pictures from cutting & layering paper prints. She enjoyed many years vacationing with her family in Kelowna, BC, where she made many lifelong friends, later in life she enjoyed spending time in Arizona.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Howard Vernon Hatch in 1990, her son, Vernon Terry Hatch in 2021 and her son-in-law, Terry D Jorgensen in 2024. Also preceding her were her two baby brothers Jackie Wendell Baird in 1931 and Jerry Randolph Baird in 1944, her sister, Lavern Aileen Barnette in 2006, and a brother Harold Herbert Baird in 2014.

Surviving her is her son, Stephen Lee Hatch and Daughter, Kimberly Eileen Jorgensen. 8 Grandchildren, Kevin, Kathi (John), Erin (Nick), Chris (Stacie), Nichole, Michael (Coty), Adam, Whitney (Brandon). 11 great grandchildren, 1 great-great granddaughter, and one great-great grandson arriving in less than a week. One brother Ralph "Bob" Baird, numerous nieces and nephews.

Graveside services will be August 5, 2025, at 11:00am, Greenacres Memorial Park, 5700 Northwest Dr. Ferndale, WA 98248, Followed by a gathering at 1421 Mt. Baker Hwy, Bellingham.

Tribute Wall

MJ

“ Kim,
I read of your Mother's passing ; it looks like she lived a very long and fruitful life. I always felt very comfortable in her company and I enjoyed your energy and your friendship. Your class gave me so much strength I lasted 39 years at Harmony-Thank you Kim and Vicki.
God Bless,
Mike Johnson

mike johnson - August 06, 2025 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sad to lose our Aunt Isabelle, many memories of family holidays spent together with grandparents aunts uncles & cousins.
Isabelle was quite creative and she loved to dance! She and my mother Laverne were very competitive at times which we made fun of, Isabelle definitely started collecting chickens first and then wondered why Laverne started collecting chickens, one funny memory, they were trying to sing “You Are My Sunshine” we all joined in and we all started laughing so hard we cried and couldn't finish the song!
Isabelle was a lot of fun , she will be missed!!!
Her niece,
Kristi (Michael) Dahlgren

Kristi Dahlgren - August 05, 2025 at 12:00 AM