



Joy P. Kirk

April 21, 1936 - April 11, 2021

Joy P. Kirk of Nooksack passed away on April 11, 2021 at age 84 after suffering a severe stroke. Joy was born in Enid, Oklahoma to Jack and Vina Groff and frequently moved during her childhood until, in her teen years, settling in Delano, CA. In California she married Derell Kirk and raised two wonderful daughters, Pamela and Tammy.

In the mid-1970s Joy moved with her family to Whatcom County and fell in love with the area, especially Mt. Baker. A strong and determined woman, she worked for many years as an accountant and office manager for a small trucking company. Later in life she worked as a caregiver for a senior home care organization and greatly enjoyed caring for her clients. She had a fondness of red sports cars and over the years owned a couple Ford Mustangs of which she was very proud.

Joy will be remembered as a friendly and caring person, who enjoyed spending time with friends and family.

She was preceded in death by her daughter Pamela (Curtis) Presley and survived by her daughter Tammy (Mark) McCay of Abilene, TX, three grandchildren, and six great grandchildren.

A memorial service is being planned for later this summer. Please visit check

back here for service updates.

Tribute Wall

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“ Joy was my very close friend. She was always a hoot and a “Joy” to be around. She was always part of my family weather it was Holiday gatherings, or just going out for a quick bite somewhere. I miss her daily phone calls, and the frequent cruises in her Mustang. She was very important part of my life, and I will miss her a lot.

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