



Kathleen Clendenen

July 21, 1930 - July 16, 2013

Kathleen Clendenen passed away suddenly on Tuesday, July 16, 2013 at St. Joseph Hospital in Bellingham. Kathie was born on July 21, 1930 to Bertram and Genie Foster. Kathie was preceded in death by her parents Bertram and Genie Foster (Papa and Baba), and two grandsons Derrek Adelstein and Danny Clendenen. She is survived by the love of her life, and husband of 59 years, Bart Clendenen; her brother, Don Foster; her sons, Mike and wife Xinh; Dan and wife Annette; Jimm and wife Leslie; Dave and wife Kelly; and her daughter, Trisha and husband Gary Adelstein. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Kenny Adelstein, and Richard, Felicia, and Keasha Clendenen, and numerous great grandchildren, cousins, nieces, and nephews. Kathie received a Bachelors Degree in Child Development from Washington State University. She was a warm, loving, and generous person who devoted herself to her family and friends. She was always happiest working outdoors on firewood, or in her gardens. She loved her collie-dogs, and she would take care of any cat that came her way. Her gentle, caring spirit will live on in the hearts and lives of everyone she touched. We already miss her very much.

Farewell Tribute Information

A memorial service will be held at the First Congregational Church of Bellingham on Saturday, August 3rd, at 1:00pm. Donations Information

Memorial donations are suggested to NW Infant Survival and SIDS Alliance, 4649 Sunnyside Ave. N., Suite 350, Seattle, WA 98103, or Wildlife Rescue, 3671 Mount Baker Hwy., Everson, WA 98247.

Tribute Wall

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“*Kathleen was an important part of our lives growing up the the First Congregational Church family. Her kind and caring ways were important to us in the Youth Group. She was truly a special role model.*”

Kathleen Troutner Shaw and Robert Troutner - July 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“*My mother, Shirley Heaton Kraig, and Kathie shared a first cousin named Willis Watrous, and so to simplify my relationship I early on considered Kathie to be my mother’s cousin. My mother died in 1986, one year before I began celebrating holidays with Kathie’s family, and so only now do I realize that Kathie has been like a second mother in my life since 1987. She & Mom were very similar, almost personality twins! For me this time of sorrow is just like Spring 1986. That’s all I can write for now. To the family: A wish for peaceful remembering & sorrow mixed with Kathie’s sweetness.*”

Bruce Andrew Kraig - July 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM

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“*What a wonderful lady. I have only known Kathie for a few short years and will miss her very much. A very special person. Every week I would call her or she would call me to get together. This I will miss, and thanks for the cookies and coffee. Bart you got a wonderful wife only some can dream of, Jim, your Mom was a special person to me, and what a lucky guy to have her as your Mom.*”

Ricky & Sabrina - July 16, 2013 at 12:00 AM