



Linda Lou York

July 26, 1949 - May 18, 2020

Linda Lou York passed away at her home in Ferndale on May 18, 2020. Born in Bellingham, WA, she was the youngest of John & Freda Wynne's 14 children.

Linda was an incredibly loving mother, wife, grandmother, sister, and friend to all who met her. She had an amazing ability to make everyone feel important; because to her, you were. Pure selfless love is what she showed everyone she met. Linda was a generous person who always gave with a happy heart. She never wanted to draw attention to herself for the kindness she showed others. She surely had the gift of mercy and putting others first was her sincere joy.

Loving her many amazing grandchildren was one of her greatest joys in life! The bonds she made with them will last a lifetime. They could talk to her about anything that was on their heart and she had a magical way of making everything better. That is what she did. She always made everything better. She never went a day without praying for each of her children and grandchildren by name. She was the priceless centerpiece of our family.

Linda married her beloved husband Ron York in 1985. Together they joined their lives with their children, Linda (4) Ron (3), and united them as one large family. Linda had a gift for building relationships between people and seemed

to masterfully orchestrate merging the two families. Much to her credit, all 7 children genuinely love, respect, and are thankful for each other. As their children grew and began their own families, Linda started what turned out to be a cherished family tradition. On the first Sunday of the month, she would host a Thanksgiving sized meal for the entire family with one condition; that the kids were rarely allowed to bring anything. It was an open invitation that each family almost always showed up for. She prepared as many favorite dishes as she could find room for on the kitchen counter. Her first Sunday of the month tradition was such a blessing. When life would get busy, it always brought us all together. We look forward to carrying on this tradition.

She loved her family & enjoyed feeding as many people as she could. If Linda was around, no one was hungry. Her incredible dishes would be whipped up in moments while she visited and then she'd send them home with "to go" boxes too! If someone mentioned they had a favorite treat, we laughed because we knew from that moment forward, she would keep a secret stash on hand just for them.

Linda retired in 2014 after working for Matrix Services at BP Cherry Point refinery for 29 years. She didn't slow down after retirement. In fact, she did the opposite. Linda began walking 5 miles a day with loved ones. She opened the Checkered Apron in Ferndale, serving local baked goods and ice cream. She enjoyed bringing gifts to sell at the shop from all around the world. She also began to devote more time to giving of her time and talents. She volunteered at many different places, including Children's Church, Mount Baker Theatre, Red Cross, Old Settlers Association, Assistance League and Operation School Bell. She found great happiness in serving others.

Together, Ron & Linda's love grew stronger each year. Always putting the other first and continually growing in love & faith. We are so thankful to see that our Mom had the love story she deserved.

Linda is survived by:

Children: John III and Yvonne VanDalen, Mandy Knutson and Mike Hinson, Sara Joy and Kyle Spreckelmeyer, Rachael VanDalen, Jake and Nicole York, Jenifer and Jason Huguenin, Jason and Erin York.

Grandchildren: Lindsey and Stephen Leddy, Brooke VanDalen and fiancé Ben Ahlin, John VanDalen IV, Timmy VanDalen, Mason Knutson, Baker Spreckelmeyer, Nixon Spreckelmeyer, Mekayla York, Dakota York, Brayden York, Andrew Huguenin, Katelyn Huguenin, Cameron Huguenin, Brooklyn Huguenin, Parker York, James Hinson, Jolie Hinson.

Brothers and Sisters: Pat Miller, Jean Bowers, Phyllis Solvang, Carol and Robin Whipple, Jim and Rayella Wynne, Cory Wynne, Connie DeBoer, Joan and Jerry Sandman, Judy Mork, Ben and Bonnie Wynne, Paul McPherson.

Linda is preceded in death by her parents, John and Freda Wynne; and siblings: Baby John Wynne, Bud Wynne, Walt Wynne, Mable McPherson.

We will forever feel this tremendous loss for her. We will try our best to fill the heartache with the years of unconditional love and memories she gave us. What a precious and remarkable wife, mother, sister, and friend she was. We rejoice that she is with the Lord and is waiting to greet us all in Heaven. She told us she would be waiting for each of us.

Due to Covid-19, we will not be able to have the Memorial Service she deserves. In respect of our current situation, sadly, only the immediate family of her children and grandchildren will be allowed to attend the private graveside service.

We invite all extended family and friends to join the immediate family by driving their vehicles past the grave site. Once the graveside service concludes at 2:30 PM, the immediate family will stand near the edge of the road to appreciate your show of love and support. We envision this to be like a parade of people staying in their vehicles with windows rolled down. We would love to see even just a glimpse of you and a wave. We will be close enough to the road to hear you. Staff will be directing vehicles to slowly drive to where the immediate family will be waiting. With a heavy heart, we must ask you to remain in your vehicles and do not stop during the procession time.

Thursday, May 28, 2020.

Please arrive in your vehicles at 2:30 PM

If you wish to mail cards of condolences to the family, please do so via US Postal service or if you prefer, you may share them here on the website.

Tribute Wall



“ *Moles Farewell Tributes created a Tribute Video in memory of Linda Lou York*



Moles Farewell Tributes - September 25, 2025 at 11:50 AM

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“ *Sister-in-law Linda was a beautiful person inside & out. Her bright smile would light up the room. She treated everyone with love & respect. Always there to help when help was needed- & with doughnuts in hand! She treated me more like a sister than a sister-in-law & I will miss her forever. Love & hugs to her family*

Cory Wynne - May 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM

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“ Growing up with Sara as one of my best friends I had the honor of knowing Linda and being tremendously blessed by her loving soul. Linda was the most amazing mother, always wanting everyone to be having fun, happy and NEVER HUNGRY! Linda would make sure you had what you needed AND MORE any time of day or night. I'm not even sure that she was aware of the number of life lessons she taught me or how enormously grateful I was, and always will be, for all of the nurturing love and care. My grandmother took so much comfort in knowing that all of the times I spent with Sara were well supervised and showered with loving attention – she loved that Linda was such a wonderful light in my life. Linda leaves such a strong legacy of love and kindness. She will forever live on in my heart.

Cece Atkinson (Chris Wood) - May 28, 2020 at 12:00 AM