



Mary (Roe, Hicks) Swinburnson

April 30, 2022

Mary Ellen (Roe, Hicks) Swinburnson, lifetime resident of Whatcom County, passed away April 30, 2022.

She was born on March 3, 1934, to Alvin and Pearl Roe of Lynden, WA. She married Melvin Hicks in 1952. They were together for 35 years and raised 4 children. They owned and operated a grocery store, and a successful trucking company of which Mary was bookkeeper for both. Throughout the years, Mary also did the bookkeeping for several other local businesses. In her earlier years, Mary enjoyed roller-skating, piano and singing. She was once a member of the local Toastmistress Club. Mary also volunteered at the Lynden Community Center as well as the PeaceHealth Medical Center. In 2005, she married Bill Swinburnson. They enjoyed 17 years of happiness together.

Mary was preceded in death by her parents, Alvin and Pearl Roe, and 2 brothers, Calvin Roe and James Roe. She is survived by her four children: Joeen (Ron) McSorley, Dan (Linda) Hicks, Gene (Tina) Hicks, and Audey (Lynda) Hicks, all of Whatcom County, and her sister LaVonne ("Bonnie") Anderson. Mary is also survived by her husband, Bill Swinburnson, and three stepchildren: Robin (Nancy) Swinburnson, Jim (Barb) Swinburnson, and Barry (Darlene) Swinburnson. Mary has 15 grandchildren, 11 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandson, as well as many nieces and nephews whom she loved dearly.

Mary was a very kind and loving woman, loved by those whose lives she touched. She rests in peace awaiting the resurrection at the second coming of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

A celebration of life will be held on Saturday June 18th from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Lynden Community Center (401 Grover St. Lynden, WA).

Please share your memories in Mary's online guestbook.

Tribute Wall

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“ Aunt Mary was such a delightful kind lady and will be missed by all who knew and loved her. My condolences to all her family.
Love you Aunt Mary,
Rhonda

Rhonda Roe - May 26, 2022 at 12:00 AM