



Mary Wickler

August 15, 1918 - November 29, 2015

Mary “Mickey” Wickler, of Bellingham, WA, passed away on Sunday, November 29th, 2015 at the robust age of 97. Mary was born in Petrel, North Dakota, and spent time on her farm in Lemmon, South Dakota, where she attended a one-room school house. She married her husband of 57 years, Clyde, October 14, 1939 at Central Lutheran Church, in Bellingham, WA. They were together until his death on October 7, 2006.

She was a member of the church quilting group at Central Lutheran, and also loved to crochet, was a fantastic cook and baker, had a wonderful green-thumb, and was an avid walker. She was a proud member of the Teamsters Union, and even Christened a U.S. Navy ship, the AM 477 on February 5, 1954 at the Bellingham Shipyard. Her work included Pacific American Fisheries, and Bellingham Cold Storage, where she retired.

Survivors include daughters Marilyn Wight (Don), of Bellingham, WA, and Jan Martinsen (Paul), of Ferndale, WA., three grand children: grandson Jeff Wight (Susie), of Maple Falls, WA, and granddaughters Kristin Shipp (Chuck), of Blaine, WA, and Kandra Brinson-Larrabee (Jeff), of Ferndale, WA. Mary is also survived by the “lights of her life”, her five great-grand children: great-grand daughters Megan Wight, Laurel Brinson-Larrabee, and Kayla Shipp, and great-grandsons, Mark Wight and Colby Shipp, as well as numerous nephews and nieces.

The family would like to thank the staff at Spring Creek Assisted Living, for the seven years of wonderful care, compassion, and many new friendships Mary was able to enjoy. The family also thanks Whatcom Hospice for making their Mom comfortable and at peace in her last days.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Trinity Lutheran Church, 119 Texas St., or Whatcom Hospice Foundation, 2806 Douglas Avenue, Bellingham, WA, 98225.

A family graveside service will be held Monday, December 7, 2015 at 12pm at Greenacres Memorial Park in Ferndale, WA. A memorial service will be held on Monday, December 7, 2015 at 1:30pm at Trinity Lutheran Church in Bellingham, WA.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Where does one start to share all that this wonderful Aunt meant . I'll always remember her gracious smile and welcoming heart. From strawberry field boss to eager clam digger she was enthusiastic about life.*

She'll be greatly missed by all who knew and loved her .

I'll especially miss my favorite Aunt when coming home to visit in Bellingham .

I love you Jan and Marilyn I wish I could give you two the biggest hug ever!!!!

Ken

Ken Rauch - November 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ *My husband and I would like to express our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of your beloved Mary. Although we never had the opportunity to meet Mary, personally, we wanted to share with you comfort from Gods word found in John 5:28,29. Here Jesus showed us a wonderful example of the resurrection when he resurrected Lazarus here on earth, back to the arms of those he loved. (John 11) Remember also that our Heavenly Father expresses his loving compassion for all of us when someone we love dies.(Psalm 34:18) Be sure to share your memories with those who surround you, for the memories shared are the ones most truly cherished, may they bring you a sense of peace and joy to your hearts as you begin to heal. Take care of yourselves and each other during this very difficult time.*

PJ - November 29, 2015 at 12:00 AM