



Norma Ann Gilbert

December 17, 1929 - October 23, 2015

Norma passed away peacefully on Oct. 23, 2015 at her home in Bellingham, WA with her beloved cat, Tiger, by her side, exactly as she wished. She is survived by her much loved son William R. Gilbert; daughter Darien and her husband Johnny Mack; grandchildren Jay-R Hoff and Michelle Delkettie. In addition, there is a very large family of nieces, nephews, cousins, friends, and her BFF Frances.

Norma met and then married her husband of 61 years, William T. Gilbert in Sand Point, AK, on January 7, 1948. They had two children, son William R. Gilbert and daughter Darien J. Gilbert.

Though she was mainly a homemaker, she also worked in various seafood processing canneries in Alaska as well as being the chief cook & dishwasher on various family owned commercial fishing vessels in and around Sand Point.

Norma was born on December 17, 1929 to Henry and Ida Peterson at False Pass, AK. During her childhood she lived in various Alaskan villages besides False Pass, those being Ikatan, King Cove, and ultimately Sand Point – the place she called “Home.” She absolutely loved Sand Point!

Among her personal hobbies were gardening, crocheting, and needlepoint.

She was also an avid reader. However, her most favorite hobbies occurred during the summers in Sand Point where she went trout fishing, salmonberry and mossberry picking, often with her BFF Frances in tow.

Being an extremely private person, she was very loyal to her family, friends, and especially close and loving to her son William R.

Preceded in death by her husband William T. Gilbert, parents Henry & Ida Peterson, sister Gertrude, mother-in-law Esther "Annie" and father-in-law William Gilbert, Sr.; all brothers & sister-in-laws, all aunts, uncles, and cousins too numerous to name. Yes, Norma was the last of a particular generation in our family. A true Lady, she was dearly loved and we shall cherish forever the memories of her.

Service and burial will be held in Sand Point, Alaska.

Tribute Wall

CJ

“ To The Family, I want to express my deepest sympathy for your loss. I also want to share the comfort of John 5:28,29 where we are promised that those who have fallen asleep in death have the hope of receiving a “resurrection” back to life. Life on an earth restored to a beautiful paradise. Psalms 37:11 says, “The meek ones themselves will possess the earth, and they will indeed find their exquisite delight in the abundance of peace.” While we await that wonderful time please find comfort in these promises. www.JW.org

Cj - October 23, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sincere condolences to all who knew and loved this gracious soul. May you gain peace and comfort from the memories of her. Know that God knows your pain very well and yearns to bring you comfort. Referring to Jesus, Isaiah 61:1,2 says “The spirit of the Sovereign Lord Jehovah is upon me...He sent me to bind up the brokenhearted...To comfort all who mourn”. May you draw strength and comfort from the God of all comfort during this difficult time (Psalms 83:18)

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