



Paula Lanier Olson

December 2, 1943 - November 23, 2014

Paula Lanier Olson, age 70, passed away on Sunday, November 23, 2014. Paula was born on December 2, 1943 in Bellingham to Sam and June Baker. Paula attended Bellingham High School, Lathrop High School in Fairbanks, Alaska, and the University of Washington. Paula was a homemaker, raising her five children, and then worked for the Port of Skagit County and the City of Bellingham as the legislative coordinator to the City Council. She was a member of the United Church of God since the 1960s.

She is survived by her husband Seldon Olson, her sons Patrick, Paul, and Sam Olberg, her daughter Pamela Gilbert, brothers Sam, Frank, Dan, and John Baker and sister Katie Jansen and numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews. She is preceded in death by her parents, her brother Peter Baker, and her son Chuck Olberg.

Throughout Paula's life she was always concerned for others and wanted to fix the world. Through all life's hardships she kept hold of her faith and love for others. Her warmth and graciousness will be missed.

Tribute Wall

PB

“ *Paula was a kind, loving and careing lady. We will remember her always. Our thoughts and prayers are with seldon and their family.*

Paul and Mary Burroughs - November 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

KH

“ *WE SEND OUR SINCEREST CONDOLENCES TO BAKER – OLSEN FAMILY. LOVE, KARRIE O. & HOWARD HANNA*

KARRIE HANNA - November 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ *Dear Seldon and family, Paula's passing has left a hole in our hearts. She was indeed a very gracious and also elegant woman. She was always there when I needed her and could be counted on in any emergency.*

When I needed surgery 5 years ago, Sheldon said he would drop me off at the hospital and I could just get a taxi home. I was not very happy with this plan so I phoned Paula who came to the hospital and was right there by my bed when I came out from under the anasthetic. How wonderful to have a special friend right there beside me when I woke up!!

She was a wonderful listener and encourager and had a style and class all her own. Now there is no one. Everyday since she passed, I think of her and I miss her and I have to remind myself that I will see her again which I am looking forward to with great anticipation. Good-bye my dear friend.

Sheldon & Jo-Anne Banks - November 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

EJ

“ I’ll always remember Paula and her thoughtfulness and concern for everyone. We would have long conversations about God and our lives. After talking to Paula I would feel uplifted and cared about, I loved her laugh and knew she was real and never felt any pretense. She will be missed and we are looking forward to seeing her again at the wedding supper.

Elaine Jamieson - November 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM

DB

“ I will miss you lots, Paula. You always were a great, empathetic listener. I will miss your sweet nature and exceptional kindness.

Denise Baker - November 23, 2014 at 12:00 AM