



Susie Impero

December 6, 1941 - June 30, 2016

Susie Impero passed away on Thursday, June 30th (after a long battle with ALS). A lady of elegance and class, she will be greatly missed.

Born in Bellingham to Fred and Clara Rode, she was the second child in a family of four and lived in Bellingham her entire life. Her siblings are Shirley Dias, Billy (Carol) and Bobby Rode. She attended Mt. Baker High School where she met Mike Impero, who would become her husband and the love of her life. Mike and Susie were life partners in every sense of the word. They established and operated a successful business, Impero Construction Company, for 35 years. Yet, their greatest accomplishment and source of joy were their children, son Mike Jr. (Crissy) Impero and daughter Laura (Pat) Frambach. Susie was a loving grandmother who cared deeply about each of her grandchildren: Mikaela, Kyle and McKenzie Impero and Caleb (Brittany) and Alanna Frambach. She was their biggest fan and cheerleader.

Susie was a consummate hostess who held frequent gatherings of family and friends. She made all who visited feel welcome, special and important. Holidays will simply never be the same without her..... Some of the things that Susie loved were: reading a good book, traveling, playing bananagrams, bright colors (especially red & purple), Elvis Presley music, Christmastime and family gatherings.

Susie & sister Shirley had an extra special relationship, full of love and friendship. Shirley was with her every step of the way, full of patience and determined to take the best care of her as possible. Susie had the most wonderful team of gals to care for her. These three Amigos were sister Shirley, Rita Walters and Diane Park. Their love for Susie was immeasurable.

The care Susie received from the Hospice team was exceptional! A special thank you to nurse Carren G. for the loving care she provided.

While our hearts are heavy and it was difficult to say good bye, we are grateful that she is free from her earthly body. She leaves behind memories with each of us that will be forever cherished.

Services are as follows:

*Public viewing at Moles Farewell Tributes- Bayview Chapel (2465 Lakeway Drive) on Wednesday, July 6 from 5:00-7:00pm. Please share memories at wordpress-271002-1416095.cloudwaysapps.com

*Memorial service will be at Cornwall Church (4518 Northwest Drive) on Thursday, July 7th at 1:00pm.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Whatcom Hospice or Mt. Baker High School Scholarship Fund.

Tribute Wall

PH

“ I want husband Mike and Susie’s entire Family to know how sorry I am for your loss of one very fine Lady. Since 1986, I have been acquainted with this fine couple that worked together to make a very successful company thrive throughout many years.

With Sincere Sympathy and Caring Thoughts from Peggy J. Hinton

Peggy Jean Hinton - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

BS

“ My heartfelt condolences on the passing of Susie. My memories of her – her laughter!!! I treasure the years that I worked at Impero and worked with Susie. My thoughts and prayers to family.

Berit Smith - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ Mike and family, Our thoughts are with you and the family, our world has lost a lovely person, but she is finally at peace now. I remember when we were kids, and with Shirley, we all picked strawberry’s at Larsons berry field. Take care Mike, and we’ll be wishing the best for you as you try to go on. Caring thoughts from Dale and Peggy

Dale and Peggy Smith - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

SR

“ Dear Mike and family, We are so sorry to hear of Susie’s death. Our thoughts and prayers go with you as you remember the memories you have of Susie and the gifts that she shared with all of us.

*Peace be with you,
Susan and Steve Roland*

Susan and Steve Roland - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ Dearest Mike..and family, So sorry to hear of Susie’s passing. She was one of the sweetest, nicest people I have every known. She always was so kind and pleasant and she always made me smile. I will never forget her. I hope your hearts finds comfort and healing knowing that one so special will live on in the hearts of so many.With deepest Sympathy, Janine

Janine Johansen - June 30, 2016 at 12:00 AM