



Barbara Claire Curtis

January 14, 1945 - December 4, 2018

Barbara C. (Babb) Curtis (Age 73) lifetime resident of Cheney, passed away on the family farm near Cheney, WA on December 4, 2018 where she was born and raised. Barb was a graduate of Cheney High School, class of "63", and soon after married Jack Curtis, an airman at Fairchild AFB. The next 10 years were spent moving around the country with the Air Force and getting a family started. After her husband's discharge from the military, Barb and family moved to the Cheney area farm where they have resided for 45 years. After a number of years employed at Betz Elementary School, Barbara devoted much of her time volunteering. She was very passionate about supporting veterans causes and volunteering on their behalf. For years she took baked goods to the Victory House in Spokane, and collected donations of clothing and household items for veteran families. As a member of the Cheney Cemetery Association, Cheney Historical Museum, a DAR chapter and Cheney Grange, her days were busy while raising 2 daughters and helping with the farm duties. In spite of that she still had time to accumulate over 10,000 names in her computer genealogy program and produced multiple family history books for each grandchild.

Barbara will be missed by many in the community, but none more than her husband of 55 yrs, Jack, daughters LuAnne Long and Linette (Patrick) Albin, her 5 grandchildren and 2 great grandchildren.

Barbara requested private services and will be interred at the Washington State Veterans Cemetery in Medical Lake, WA. Memorial contributions may be made to the Cheney Historical Museum or the Cheney Cemetery Association in her memory.

Comments



“ Jack, LuAnne and Linette, Jonas Babcock Chapter DAR was deeply saddened to hear of Barbara's passing. She was such a special member in our chapter because of her passion for history and genealogy combined with her compassion and involvement with military veterans and their families throughout her life. She was a true example of how one caring woman can make a difference in all she was. Prayers for comfort in this difficult time and that sweet memories will fill all of your family as you walk down on this journey. Karen Liptack, Jonas Babcock Chapter DAR

Karen Liptack - December 20, 2018 at 02:46 PM



“ Dear Jack and family,
We are very sorry for your loss.
We are sending our prayers, our support and reminding you that we care for you, our friend.
Your friend, Mike and Marietta

Marietta McGourin - December 20, 2018 at 01:14 PM



“ I am very saddened about the loss of Barbara Curtis. I have known Barbara and Jack for 15 years and they graciously allowed me to hunt and hike on their beautiful property. I hunted with my son and grandson and they were both very sorry to hear of your loss. I will miss the phone and personal conversations I had with Barbara over the years. I very much enjoyed her rhubarb and great recipes. She was a special person to know.

Steve Backlund
Spokane

Steve Backlund - December 17, 2018 at 01:17 PM



“ I am deeply sad for the loss of my friend and fellow museum volunteer Barbara. I loved her sense of humor and her laugh. She helped me to learn Cheney area history and the families of the area, including detangling the Babb family. I am very grateful to have known her.
Joan

Joan Mamanakis - December 16, 2018 at 05:22 PM