



Betty Doris Elizabeth Schmitz

January 12, 1920 - July 5, 2022

Betty (Doris Elizabeth) Schmitz was born to Paul and Clara Buchholtz on January 12, 1920, in Wilsall, Montana. She passed away in Fairfield, WA on July 5, 2022. Betty spent her early years in Montana and then moved to Spring Valley, WA with her family. In 1936, she graduated from Rosalia High School at age 16.

After working at a variety of jobs and attending Washington State (College) University for a year, she met Albert Schmitz, Jr. They married in 1942, raised their family of three children, and farmed for many years in the Spring Valley/Rosalia area.

In 1979 they moved to Fairfield, WA. Her years were filled with gardening, sewing, baking, canning, and caregiving. She was a lifetime member of the Waverly Grange and the Zion Lutheran Church in Fairfield. She provided numerous bouquets of flowers for the church and hundreds of pies and cookies to the community. In 2014 she moved to the Palouse Country Assisted Living in Fairfield.

Betty was a kidney donor for her brother Kenneth years ago when the procedure was very new in the early 1960s. The transplant added several years of cherished time to Kenneth's family's formative years.

Betty was preceded in death by her husband Albert, her brothers Kenneth and Ralph, and her sister Helen. Betty is survived by her three children: Carol (Daryl) Triplett, Barbara (Sam) Peringer, and Joe (Jeanne) Schmitz. There are also numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, great-great-grandchildren as well as nieces, nephews, cousins, and dear friends who have been delighted to know Betty because of her unconditional love and compassion for all.

Private family Graveside services will be held Wednesday, July 20, 2022, at the Rosalia Evergreen IOOF Cemetery. It will be officiated by Pastor Debbie Cato. Following will be a Public Reception in the Fairfield Lower Park at 1:30 p.m. Memorial gifts may be made to a charity of your choice.

Cemetery Details

Rosalia IOOF Evergreen Cemetery

Rosalia, WA 99170

Previous Events

Reception

JUL 20. 1:30 PM (PT)

Fairfield Lower Park
Fairfield, WA 99012