



Dorothy M. Streeter

March 13, 1931 - July 25, 2012

On July 25, 2012, our precious Dorothy passed away after extended illnesses. She was born on March 13, 1931, to Homer and Hilda Pence of Cheney, WA. She grew up on a farm just outside of Cheney. It was a farmhand of her parents named Richard Streeter who stole her heart. They were married in 1947 and had two children, Dr. Dick Streeter and Stacey (Streeter) Schneider. Dorothy was a mother and wife, first and foremost – her children were the light of her life. Prior to their starting a family, Dorothy worked as a nurse at Eastern State Hospital, and years later in 1978, she completed EMT training and worked with Cheney Ambulance where she cared deeply for her patients and they, in turn, felt comfort in the care she provided. In approximately 1989, Dorothy accepted a position with Eastern Washington University's telecommunications department as a telephone switchboard operator. She was a "natural" in this position, as it was her nature and desire to be of service to others. Co-workers and students alike appreciated her helpful demeanor. There are no words to fully express how much Dorothy will be missed. She loved people, and people likewise were drawn to her kind and compassionate nature. While our hearts are aching from her passing, we are ever so grateful she is free from the pain and suffering she has endured over the past several years. Dorothy was preceded in death by her parents, Homer and Hilda Pence; stepfather, Clarence Brown, Hilda's second husband; her husband, Richard, of 33 years; and her half-brother, Bill Pence. She is survived by her children and spouses, Dr. Dick and Pat Streeter and Stacey and Dennis

Schneider; a grandson, Tim Streeter; numerous stepgrandchildren; nephews, Ron (Marilyn) Pence, Gary (Sue) Pence, and Leland (Kathy) Lightbody; and a niece, Letha Banister. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lions Club for the Blind, 1212 N. Howard, Spokane, WA 99201 as Dorothy feared blindness and was passionate about this foundation. She appreciated all the worthwhile acts the Lions Club performed for others. In addition, contributions may be made to Providence St. Joseph Care Center, 17 E. 8th, Spokane, WA 99202. Dorothy's family would like to take this opportunity to thank Providence St. Joseph Care Center for their wonderful and compassionate care provided her the past 3½ years. We would also like to express our heartfelt appreciation to Providence Sacred Heart Medical Center's nurses and physicians and, at the very end of Dorothy's life, the CICU department's nurses and physicians who showed true caring and compassion at the time of our great loss. Visitation will be 6-8 p.m. Saturday, July 28, 2012, at Cheney Funeral Chapel, and a funeral service will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 29, 2012. Private family interment will be at Spokane Memorial Gardens.

Tribute Wall

DA

“ To Dorothy's Family: I am so sorry for your loss. As the days and weeks pass, and as you return to life's routine, may you continue to feel comforted by the love and support of family and friends. Please accept my sincere condolences for your loss. Please find comfort in the following Bible verse, John 11: 11 where Jesus said: "... Lazarus our friend has gone to rest, but I am journeying there to awaken him from sleep." Please also find comfort in knowing that our Almighty Heavenly Father holds out the hope of the resurrection and the ability to see our loved ones again.

Dina Anderson - September 13, 2012 at 05:56 PM

SJ

“ Stacey, Dick and family, my heart goes out to you all. I count myself as blessed to have known Dorothy. She could light up a room with her smile. Her love and compassion for others showed what a true earth angel she was. Sending many hugs your way.

Shelley Eastlund Jensen - August 26, 2012 at 09:39 AM

DR

“ Dear Stacy, you have been the most wonderful caring daughter to your mom. I can still remember her huge smile, even when we visited her in the nursing home. She seemed like such a happy person. I pray your memories will give you joy and comfort. Donna (cousin from CDA)

Donna Hamlet Runge - August 05, 2012 at 11:24 AM

BD

“ Dorothy was my only cousin on my father's side. Her mom & my dad were siblings. As children, we were brought together mostly at Granmpa Hamlet's home in Cheney I moved away from the area right after college & didn't see Dorothy for many years until I moved back to the northwest. I was glad to get reacquainted with her & Stacey. God Bless all the family who will miss her so.

Betty Hamlet Davis - August 02, 2012 at 02:04 PM

BM

“ We spent time together as young girls. You were my cousin Dody who played the piano and sang "The Yellow Rose of Texas". We kept in touch intermittently in later years and spent some time with Stacy in Priest Lake. Our visits with you were too few and far between but my childhood memories will always linger.

Barbara Hamlet Morse - August 01, 2012 at 12:56 AM

AM

“ Sending deepest sympathies to all who mourn the loss of this remarkable woman. I only know your son Dr Dick online but I know he is a wonderful man and wanted to take the time to honour your passing by acknowledging what an amazing woman you must have been to have nurtured such a special man. Much love and condolences from the UK.

Anna Murray - July 29, 2012 at 10:05 AM

RH

“ *May your memories sustain and keep you, as they do for me. It was my sincere and greatest blessing to be a nurse/caregiver for Dorothy intermittently through those years. I will always remember our late night conversations and gentle laughter and chuckles over one thing or another. She welcomed me each time with such a glowing, warm smile that I always felt I was near in her thoughts. May the Lord bless and keep her in cherished love, as we have.*

Rhonda - July 29, 2012 at 08:50 AM

ML

“ *We will miss her deeply remembering our shopping trip and our dinners out she would have her chili and when I went to visit she would have her soda pop as she called it and always have my v-8 and lemons on hand I remember her bringing me cornish game hens with mandarin orange dressing when I was home sick Mom you were only SPECIAL lady*

marie Lau - July 28, 2012 at 01:15 PM

SS

“ *I love you, Mom, with all my heart! You were not only my Mom, but I was proud to call you my best friend! We were buddies! While my heart is breaking knowing we will never have the chance to "pal around" again as we did in the past, I am filled with memories of our special times together which will live within me forever. While your time here has ended, you will live forever within my heart! You are now free from the pain and suffering you have endured for so many, many years. I love you with all my heart and soul!*

Stacey (Streeter) Schneider - July 28, 2012 at 10:30 AM