



## Jean McMillan

May 8, 1930 - October 7, 2025

Jean passed away on October 7, 2025. She was born to Jim and Gerry Welch on May 8, 1930, in Green Isle, Minn, and moved to Spokane in 1938 when she lived at Waikiki Dairy. In 1942, she moved to the Cheney area, where she lived for nearly the rest of her life. She attended Cheney schools but graduated from Marycliff High School. In 1947, she married Don McMillan; they were married for nearly 70 years.

Jean, a self-taught cake decorator and baker, was known as the “Cake Lady”. She owned Jean’s Cakes and Catering, making birthday and wedding cakes for thousands of people in the Spokane and Cheney area, a career that lasted over 50 years.

Jean was a member of Hub Club, Tiers, and Beta Sigma Phi. She was an active member of St Rose of Lima Catholic Church and a member of the Altar Guild.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her five brothers and sisters, husband Don, daughter Donna Holloway (Russ), and great-grandson Kameron Holloway. She is survived by 12 grandchildren, 18 great-grandchildren, and 4 great-great-grandchildren. Jean is also survived by her sons, Bill McMillan (Sandi), Spokane Valley, and Bob McMillan (Laurie), Cheney.

A Visitation will be at Cheney Funeral Chapel on Friday, October 17th, 2025, from 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm. A Funeral mass will be held at St Rose of Lima Church, 460 N Fifth St., Cheney, WA, at 10:00 am on Saturday, October 18th. A Rosary will be said preceding the Mass.

The family would like to thank the staff of Horizon Hospice and Sunshine Adult Home number 1. In lieu of flowers, please make a donation to St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church.

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT 17. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

Cheney Funeral Chapel  
1632 W 1st St.  
Cheney, WA 99004  
(509) 235-2992  
<https://www.cheneyfuneral.com/>

## Funeral Mass

OCT 18. 10:00 AM (PT)

St. Rose of Lima Catholic Church  
406 N. 5th St.  
Cheney, WA 99004