



Joan Mae Ader

April 28, 1944 - July 30, 2018

The beautiful, vivacious, charismatic Joan M. (Carlson) Ader born April 28, 1944 passed away following a long-term illness on July 30, 2018. Joan was born to Leonard “Kit” and Grace Carlson in Grand Forks, North Dakota. She was one of 5 children. Joan retired from Pacific Northwest Bell, after 20 years of dedicated service. She began her career in the central office, then became one of the first 3 women to climb telephone poles in Spokane. This career allowed her to work outside which she truly loved and excelled at. Joan was an avid crafter in her retirement, tackling everything from baking to painting, gardening and reading. But her true passion was quilting. Joan was a very accomplished, self-taught quilter and won many awards for her beautiful masterpieces. She was preceded in death by her husband Dennis, her parents, sister Karen and twin sister June. Joan is survived by her only child Jennifer Frank (Jeff); grand daughter Isabella Grace (Lil Lovey); grandson Enzo (her little Viking Norwegian); sister Eunice Meulner and many nieces, nephews, cousins and more friends than you can imagine. She knew no strangers and made friends everywhere. We are forever grateful to Orchard Crest Retirement center, Horizon Hospice, and Home Care Assistance who graciously cared for my mom in her final weeks. Words cannot begin to express this loss in so many hearts. A memorial service will be held on Tuesday, August 7, 2018 at 1 p.m. at Cheney Funeral Chapel, 1632 W. 1st St. Cheney, WA 99004. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to research for Idiopathic Pulmonary Fibrosis. www.lung.org

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