



## Patricia Mary Mueller

February 25, 1929 - January 30, 2026

Faithful servant of God, beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother, Patricia Mary Roberta Mueller, 96, passed peacefully on January 30, 2026, in Cheney, WA.

Born February 25, 1929, to Lester & Odelia (Dubuque) Schwaegler, Patsy, along with her 7 siblings, grew up in Yakima, WA, and attended local Catholic schools. Family summers were spent on Vashon Island, where her love of exploring, swimming, and blackberry picking flourished. Winters would find the Schwaegler clan in Sun Valley, celebrating the holidays on the slopes of Mt. Baldy.

An accomplished skier and figure skater in her younger days, Patsy possessed a physical grace and elegance that were equally evident in her character. Following graduation from Seattle University School of Nursing in 1953, she worked as a nurse at Swedish Hospital. One winter holiday in Sun Valley, she had the good sense to accept a dance request from Major Roy Mueller. A year later, they wed in Yakima. Six wonderful children followed.

After living in Turkey, Kansas, and California, the family settled in Selah. Patsy and Roy were active bridge players with their close circle of friends, frequently hosting evening card games while the kids were ushered downstairs. They also made a formidable duo on the tennis court, filling the Mueller home's

mantelpiece with numerous mixed doubles trophies. After Roy retired from dentistry, they spent their winters in Yuma, AZ, playing bridge and dancing. They took to the road often, visiting family, friends, and old classmates. Trips abroad included Turkey, to see old friends, and Hawaii and Japan for family reunions.

Patsy's strong Christian values defined her and were reflected in her everyday life, from her commitment to Our Lady of Lourdes Church in Selah and the parishes she joined later in life, to her volunteering at the Red Cross and local hospices. A woman of faith with a generous spirit, Patsy was always giving of her time and resources.

After losing Roy in 2010, Patsy moved to Seattle to be near family. She continued to touch lives with her kindness and dignity at Fred Lind Manor and later at Cheney Assisted Living, where she spent her final years surrounded by compassionate caregivers and her loving family. Patsy will continue to live on in the memories of her 5 children: Denise (Jon); Ben (Beth); Barbara (John); Louis; and Leon (Rika); 13 grandchildren; 5 great-grandchildren; and numerous nieces and nephews. She is also survived by her brothers, Bud and Dick Schwaegler, and sister Teresa Bourke. She is predeceased by her husband Roy, daughter Martha, and four siblings.

Funeral services will be held on March 13th, at 11:00 AM at St. Bridget Church, Seattle. Safe in the arms of Jesus, Patsy's earthly journey is complete, and her peace is everlasting.