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Dryden, Washington

Carmen Louise Bossenbrock, 94, a lifetime Dryden resident and orchardist, passed away at her home on Sunday, July 31, 2022.

Carmen was born on May 29, 1928, in Wenatchee, as the daughter of Garrett and Olive Irene (Orcutt) Bossenbrock. She was raised and schooled in Dryden and graduated from the Dryden High School in 1947. She continued her education at WSU and later transferred colleges to Stanford University where she graduated as a Physical Therapist in 1953.

Carmen was a pioneer in the Wenatchee Valley medical field, specializing in patients with Polio. She worked at Deaconess Hospital and later at Central Washington Hospital. She became the head of Physical Therapy until retirement.

She was also the owner, manager, and loved to be in her pear orchard at Dryden.

Carmen was an active longtime member of the Wenatchee Rotary Club. She

was one of the first women in the club and served as the Club Photographer for many years She was also a longtime member of the Dryden Improvement Club.

Carmen enjoyed her friends especially Camilla Wicks and the talents her violin friend shared. After a concert, Carmen met Camilla and sent a box of Anjou pears from her orchard with Camilla and they instantly became fast friends.

She followed the men and women's Seattle Storm and Gonzaga Basketball teams - she never missed a game.

Carmen is survived by her family of friends and family including Alice Nieman of Dryden. She was preceded in death by her parents and brother, William "Bill" Bossenbrock.

Viewing Visitation will be held on Monday, August 8, 2022 from 3pm-8pm located at Heritage Memorial Chapel, 19 Rock Island Rd, East Wenatchee. A Graveside Service will be held on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 at 11:00am located at Cashmere Cemetery.

You are invited to view Carmen's Online Tribute at [www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com](http://www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com) where you can share a memory or condolence. Friends who wish may make memorial donations in her name to the Dryden Improvement Club or Rotary International Polio Plus Fund. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee and Cashmere.

# Tribute Wall

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“ When I was six years old I had polio, and with Carmen's help, I was able to walk again. I thank God for putting her in my life. She was such a kind person. She used to send me Christmas cards every year to see how I was doing. I will miss her.  
Naomi Mathews

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**Naomi Mathews** - August 18, 2023 at 08:03 PM

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“ Goodbye Dearest Carmen ❤️ You touched so many lives with your caring and generosity, and skills!  
You are a rare gift! ❤️🎵🌻🌟

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**Roslyn Frantz** - August 19, 2022 at 04:28 PM

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“ I did not personally know Carmen, but met her in the early 1950s when she was working at the Deaconess as a Physical therapist for my brother , Don Hinman when he ha polio. She helped him so much to get his life back, and remember how much he liked her. Don never forgot her, and spoke of her often. I'm sure he was one of many who benefited from her loving care. Don passed away just last year. My prayerful thoughts to all who loved her. Sincerely,  
Norma Hinman Gloyn

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**Norma gloyn** - August 18, 2022 at 08:25 PM

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“ *Carmen in her blue Wenatchee Rotary jacket with all her pins. She was such a special person and her dedication to Wenatchee Rotary is unequalled. My favorite memory was our drives from her house to the Red Lion each week to attend Rotary meetings. We had the best time talking and laughing in the car on our way to Wenatchee and then back to Dryden. I would hit every red light along the highway on my way to pick her up, but once she was in the car, the lights were always green. I called her my lucky charm. She was that and much, much more! God bless you, dear Carmen. It is wonderful to know that you are with Bill and your Mom and finally fully hearing Camilla play the violin. Thank you, Alice, for taking care of our Dear Carmen!*

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**Peter Van Well** - August 02, 2022 at 03:06 PM