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Emma passed away of natural causes January 23, 2022, at 86 years of age. She was born at home in Okanogan County Washington to Ralph and Anna Buchanan in 1935. She married Ben Nilles in 1949. They had five children and were married 70 years. While always the homemaker, she often worked in fruit warehouses and as a hospital cook. She enjoyed fishing and traveling in their RV's.

Emma is survived by her children: daughter Pauline (Bill) Yager, sons Larry (Norma), Bill, and James; several grandchildren, great, and great great grandchildren. She is also survived by her twin half-sisters Ornetta Gamble and Oretta Chamberlin, Marie (Chuck) Burris and Maryann Burris, and sister-in-law Nada Buchanan. She was preceded in death by her husband Ben, one son Robert at birth, her parents, and stepfather Howard Woodbury who raised her as a daughter, one sister, one brother, one half-sister, one half-brother, and one daughter-in-law Shirley.

A private family service will be held at a later date. You are invited to view Emma's Online Tribute at [www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com](http://www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com) where you can

share a memory with the family. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee and Cashmere.

Emma's family are very appreciative of both the staff of Kadie Glenn and the hospice workers for their kindness and care.

# Tribute Wall



“ I am so sorry to hear of your mother's death. I lost Mom (your Aunt Mary) in December and it is never easy. I miss her every day. So thankful you had Aunt Em for so many years and I remember her when I was young as being such a hard worker and who really loved her family. Janet Lee

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**Jan Lee** - January 30, 2022 at 11:12 PM