



Margaret Ann Sampson

April 4, 1917 - February 4, 2016

Margaret Snyder Sampson, second child of Bert and Ethel Snyder was born in Ephrata, Washington on April 4, 1917. Raised in Wenatchee, she attended the area schools; participating on the girl's basketball and tennis teams at H.B. Ellison Junior High and graduating from Wenatchee High School with the class of 1935. After high school she went to Wenatchee Business College and then worked as a secretary at Consolidated Freight Lines and then at the C&O Nursery.

She met Don Sampson during high school and they were married in 1937 while working at C&O. In 1940 they welcomed their first child, Mike, and Margaret became a stay at home mom and in the years following added to their family with Pat, Jim and Susan. They enjoyed spending time outdoors with the kids; camping, fishing, skiing and horseback riding. As the kids got older Margaret enjoyed watching the boys play football, basketball and baseball and Don volunteered to do some of the team coaching and the girls continued to keep them busy with their horses and skiing.

After the kids left home, Margaret enjoyed belonging to the Catholic Daughters of America, where she eventually was Grand Regent. She spent time helping the Red Cross with blood drawings and volunteering at the Central Washington Hospital in the Gift Shop. Born with a green thumb, Margaret enjoyed tending her garden and roses.

Don spent over 50 years working at the Wenatchee World newspaper, he retired in 1981. Upon his retirement he joined Margaret fulltime, operating and

working in their cherry and peach orchard, until it was sold in 1995. They then moved to a retirement community and enjoyed meeting people and letting someone else do the housework and lawn mowing.

She was a lifetime member of St. Joseph's Catholic Church. As a volunteer at St. Joseph's Catholic School, she was known as the "Hotdog Lady" during the days prior to the hot lunch program.

Margaret was called by her Lord and Savior to Heaven on February 4, 2016 at the age of 98.

She is preceded in death by her husband, Don in August of 2015; four brothers, John, Bob, Al & Gene Snyder and sister Florence Dolwick.

Margaret is survived by her children, Mike (Carole) Sampson, Sun Valley, ID, Pat (Mike) Martin, Rice, WA, Jim (Carolyn) Sampson, San Antonio, TX, Sue (Ric) Johnson, Wenatchee; seven grandchildren and five great grandchildren.

A Memorial Service will be on Friday, February 12, 2016, 11:00 am at the Wenatchee St. Joseph's Catholic Church with Vigil Services on Thursday, February 11, 2016, 7:00pm. Memorial Donations are suggested to St.

Joseph's Catholic School. You are invited to view her online guestbook at: www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com . Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.