



## Mary Duncan

January 4, 1949 - September 29, 2023

Mary Anne Duncan, 74, a longtime resident of the Wenatchee valley, passed away on Friday, September 29, 2023 after an extended illness.

Mary was born in Wenatchee and moved to Michigan when she was a toddler and returned to Wenatchee with her family a couple years later. She attended Wenatchee schools, graduating from Wenatchee High School in 1967.

After high school she went to work at Colonial Vista as a nurse's aide. She then went on to work at A&W/Royce's for many years before working at the Wenatchee School District as a cook. She spent quite a number of years at the school district but then chose to go back to Colonial Vista where she worked as a cook until her retirement. It was while employed at Royce's that she met her longtime companion, Leroy Maxey. They spent many years together until his death in 1996. Mary was the oldest of 12 children and she always had an open door for friends and family. She loved to play games, and especially loved to play cards. She loved all animals but had a special place in her heart for cats. She was relieved to know that Miss Molly was going to a good home with her son and grandsons.

Her greatest accomplishment in life were her two sons, Duane and Shane. She was very proud of them and the men they became. They both spent many hours with her in her final days, which she took much comfort in.

Mary is survived by her two sons, Duane Duncan, Rock Island, and Shane (Julie) Duncan, East Wenatchee; Grandchildren, Isaac Duncan, Rock Island, Alex Duncan, Rock Island, Rylee Duncan, Wenatchee, Kaitlyn Duncan, East Wenatchee, Callie Duncan, East Wenatchee; Siblings, John (Jean) Render, Spokane, Michael (Marlene) Render, Auckland, New Zealand, Cathy (Glen) Graevell, Grand Coulee, Paul (Roselle) Render, East Wenatchee, Bill (Ann) Render, New Jersey, Steve Render, Wenatchee, Mathew Render, East Wenatchee, Tom Render, California and Therese Williams (Olympia), and an aunt, Cecilia Higgins, Yakima. She also had numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Jane Render, and two siblings Joseph and Martin Render.

The family would like to thank her many caregivers that she considered to be family. So many of them visited her while she was in the hospital as well as Regency Care Center and we are so thankful for them.

Visitation will be held Friday, October 13, 2023 from 4:00 to 6:00 pm at Heritage Memorial Chapel. Graveside services will be held Saturday, October 14, 2023 at 10:00 am at Wenatchee City Cemetery.

# Cemetery Details

## Wenatchee City Cemetery

1804 N Western Ave.  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **13.** 4:00 PM - 6:00 PM (PT)

Heritage Memorial Chapel Funeral Home  
19 Rock Island Rd  
East Wenatchee, WA 98802  
(509) 470-6702  
heritagememorialchapel@msn.com  
<https://heritagememorialchapel.com/>

## Graveside Service

OCT **14.** 10:00 AM (PT)

Wenatchee City Cemetery  
N Western Ave.  
Wenatchee, WA 98801

# Tribute Wall

MA

“ Have many childhood memories of Mary at her house always laughing and so positive. She was sweet and always kind. One of my favorite aunts and always had a candy bowl for the kids.

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**mattreder** - December 06, 2023 at 08:28 AM

DW

“ Oh Mary Duncan! I'm so sad to see you have passed on. I have many wonderful memories of our Royce's A&W family! Going to your mom's and staying up all night playing cards! What a special time in my life...RIP Mary and give Jayner a hug from me. And all our other A&W family who have also passed on. 💕💕 Much love  
Debbie Warren

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**Debbie Warren** - November 27, 2023 at 12:01 AM

CJ

“ Lots of memories of Mary, Grandmother to my sons Isaac & Alex who adored her to the moon and beyond! Mary was a sweet lady with her family in mind, she loved her kids deeply and then when the Grandbabies started coming she thrived when around them. I am so sorry Duane & Shane, hold onto those memories and cherish them. To the family of Mary, I am deeply saddened for all of you with losing her and wish you all the strength and love as you maneuver life with this change.

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**Candi Johnson** - October 06, 2023 at 09:02 AM

CH

“ Mary Ann was very special to me. When her Dad was alive we shared alot of good times together. We went camping and many trips together. My son grew up with Duane and Shane.  
Love Aunt Cecelia, Great Aunt Cecelia and Great, Great, Aunt Cecelia.  
My prays are with for your loss of special Mother.

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**Cecelia Higgins** - October 06, 2023 at 09:02 AM

AC

“ There are so many memories of Mary in my mind, from summer vacation trip to Seaside Oregon camping for a week with her dad, Dewayne and Shane to all weekend pinochle games with Mary and Leroy . My cousin Mary was always one that listened and accepted who you were in her world. Mary has always been close to as a second mother. I will truly miss her wise words and laughter.

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**Adrian Culham** - October 06, 2023 at 09:02 AM

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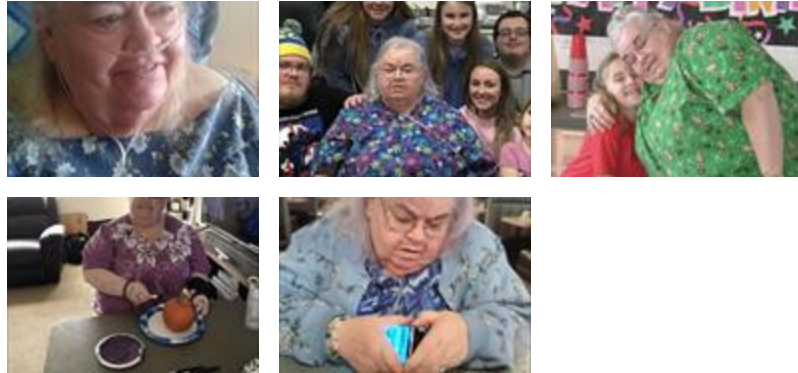
“ My Grandma was a major part of my life as a child, and an adult. The nights when dad was going to night school at the college, Alex and I would hangout with Grandma and play cards, or even play Tetris together when I was young. Every time I would randomly drop by on my lunch hour just to sit with her, it would brighten her day so much. I love you Grandma.

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**Isaac duncan** - October 06, 2023 at 09:02 AM



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**Heritage Memorial Chapel Funeral Home** - October 06, 2023 at 09:01 AM

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**Cecelia Higgins** - October 02, 2023 at 06:59 PM