



## Nettie Rosetta Sutton

February 10, 1942 - September 30, 2022

Nettie Vandegraft Sutton passed away on September 30, 2022 at the age of 80 following medical complications. She had been a long-time resident of Leavenworth until her move to Cashmere in 2002.

Nettie was born Aneta R Mummert on February 10, 1942, to Silby (Wagner) and Marvin Mummert at Bridgeport Washington. She enjoyed relating how she had been nicknamed Nettie as a baby and did not become aware of her "legal" name until she went to school.

Her early childhood was spent in Kalispell, Montana. At age eight the family moved back to Washington. Nettie graduated from Leavenworth High School in 1960 and continued to live in Leavenworth until 2002 when she moved to Cashmere.

Nettie married Jim Vandegraft in 1962. They made their home on the Chumstick where they raised their children. Mr. Vandegraft passed away in 1994 and in 2002 Nettie married James Sutton of Cashmere.

Nettie's early career had been in the bookkeeping and clerical fields until 1988 when she chose to go into the health care field. She operated an adult family home for ten years in her home on the Chumstick. She then worked at Mountain Meadows Assisted Living for many years until she took over the management of the Garden Haus Senior Apartment Complex. She retired from that position in 2007

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Nettie was very active in the first many years of the Autumn Leaf Festival in Leavenworth, being parade chairman for three years. Around that same time, she also took part in the drama group, Amber Leaf Theater. She was active in the Leavenworth Senior Center, sitting on the board of directors and filling the position of secretary for several years. Some of her favorite past times were knitting, crocheting, arts & crafts, reading, and working in her flower beds. Many of her gifts to others were hand-made items.

Nettie was a member of Cascade Mountain Bible Church. She enjoyed working on church projects and encouraging others with God's word. She was involved in the AWANA program there and also taught Sunday school.

Nettie was preceded in death by her parents, three brothers, two sisters, both husbands, and two sons, Kenneth Vandegraft and Kim Vandegraft.

She is survived by her son Erle(Tina) Vandegraft of Leavenworth, a daughter-in-law Debra Vandegraft of Leavenworth, two step-children Jody West and Cindy (Jack) McMahan both of Leavenworth, and four grandchildren, Brein Vandegraft/Baine of Peshastin, Alexis Vandegraft of North Dakota Shawn Vandegraft and Amber Larson both of Leavenworth and three great-grandchildren Bella, Bruce, and Oliver.

Her last wishes expressed a desire for those left behind to not mourn her passing as one would for those with no hope. She is at home now with her Heavenly Father.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *My Aunt and I had so many wonderful times together. Spent many hours having coffee laughing an playing cards and board games. She was there and held my hand when I gave birth to my daughter Joni. She was comforting many time for me when my heart was broke. I loved her dearly and will miss her voice and her hands always making things for all them she loved.*

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