



Pauline Marie Craig

August 5, 1924 - April 22, 2009

Pauline Marie "Babe" Craig, 84, a Wenatchee resident for over 60 years, passed away Wednesday, April 22, 2009 at Central Washington Hospital. She was born August 5, 1924 at Rose, Oklahoma to Herman and Susan (Kirk) Hess. In 1929, she moved with her family to Wenatchee where she attended school and graduated from Wenatchee High School in 1941. She married Bill Johnson in the early 1940's and they began their family here in Wenatchee. During the 1950's, she tended bar at Duffy's Tavern in Wenatchee. She studied to become a Mixologist and in the late 1960's, before moving to Lynnwood, WA, where she worked at Love's Wood Pit Barbecue. She returned to Wenatchee in 1976 and went to work at the Elks Lodge. She married Noel O. Craig in Wenatchee in the late 1970's.

Babe continued to work at the Elks until retiring in the early 1990's. They continued to make their home in Wenatchee. On December 21, 2001, she was preceded in death by her husband, Noel O. Craig. She has since continued to make her home in Wenatchee.

She is survived by two sons and one daughter-in-law, Gary Johnson, Walnut Creek, S. Carolina and Ron and Gail Johnson, Wenatchee; one sister, Dorothy Tillman, Wenatchee; three grandchildren, Brandi Johnson, Jennifer Peters and Matthew Johnson all of Wenatchee and four great grandchildren, Jordan Johnson, Cooper & Crosbie Peters and Kye Johnson all of Wenatchee. She was preceded in death by her husband and one sister, Katherine "Midge" Lanphere.

Family services will be held at a later date.

Tribute Wall

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“ I am Pauline's friend from Albertsons. I never knew her as Babe till a year or two ago. I had been waiting on her for years, and Ron, we just clicked and had a love and respect for each other. Once she knew I grew up in Lynnwood, we had an additional connection. She always looked for me and I always looked for her. We had a genuine concern for each other. She loved her Hawaii's Own Starfruit juice and laid in a good supply every week. She was truly one of a kind, and when I saw she had passed my heart just sank, because I wanted to tell her I loved her one more time. Ron, you were a kind and loving son to her and I am so very sorry for your loss. She was tiny and huggable and lovable, but I'm sure she had her rascally moments. What a gem! I miss her already. God Bless you all- your moms friend, Yvonne

yvonne kavanaugh - April 27, 2009 at 11:07 AM

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“ Babe will be missed by all who knew her. I knew her because I used to work for the Lanphere's at Belmont Music Center for about 20 years when I was living in Wenatchee. Also, when Babe was a young girl, she was a girlfriend of my late Uncle Leonard Edwards so I knew of her thru my Uncle and my Dad who lived in Rock Island at the time. The whole Hess family were friends of my grandparents also. My name is Arlene Edwards Sandhop and I send sincere condolences to the family.

Arlene Sandhop - April 27, 2009 at 06:45 AM