



## Ruth Lee Geyer

September 23, 1932 - January 17, 2016

Ruth Lee Geyer, 83, of Cashmere, passed away peacefully at her home on Sunday evening, January 17, 2016 following an extended illness.

She was born on September 23, 1932 in Gothenburg, Nebraska to the late Roland Leroy "Murph" and Blanche Irene (Gewecke) Murphey. As a young child, she moved with her family to Oregon, California, and then to Cashmere Washington in the 1940's. Ruth graduated from Cashmere High School in 1950 and attended the Western College of Commerce. She married Gordon Wayne Geyer in the Cashmere Methodist Church on November 8, 1952 and they were together until Gordon passed away in 1997.

When the children were young, Ruth went to work at the Cashmere Valley Record as a Linotype Operator. In 1968, she began her career at Cashmere Valley Bank and worked her way up to Assistant Vice President - Auditor by the time she retired 25 years later in 1993.

Ruth was an excellent seamstress who sewed nearly all of the children's clothing when they were young. She later took up quilting and was a 25-year member of the North Central Washington Quilt Guild. Her quilts and wall hangings are wrapped around family members and friends all across the country. When she wasn't quilting she was baking pies, playing Bridge, and most importantly, enjoying the company of her family and friends.

Special thanks go out to Dr. Mandy Robertson and the healthcare and Hospice teams at Confluence Health for the compassionate support provided to Ruth and her family.

Ruth is survived by son and daughter-in-law, Allen and Sandy (Courtney) Geyer, Cashmere; three daughters and sons-in-laws, Ginger and Gene Salvadalena, Cary, Illinois, Cynthia "Cindy" and Corwyn Fischer, Wenatchee, Cheryl and Marvin Lippert, Cashmere; her sister and brother-in-law, Sandra and Les Barnett, Cashmere, her sister-in-law, Virginia Doty, Olympia, nieces, nephews, eight grandchildren and six great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her husband, Gordon, her brother-in-law Harry Doty, great granddaughter, Sofie Courtney and her step grandson, Chad Courtney. A Celebration of Life Gathering will be announced at a later time. Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, Cashmere. In lieu of flowers, we suggest a gift to Seattle Children's Hospital Foundation. You are invited to view Ruth's tribute online at [www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com](http://www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com).

# Tribute Wall

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“ Please accept my most sincere sympathy in the loss of your beloved mother.  
Ruth was a true friend to me and I will always treasure the memories we shared. She was so proud of her family and I loved the way she spoke of all of you. I share your loss and will miss her always.

*Love to all of you. Jewell*

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**Jewell LaVigne** - January 26, 2016 at 02:53 PM

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“ Ruth is my cousin. I feel bad about not getting to see her. I was up there many years ago but she was unavailable to have dinner with us. Rest well and we will think about you as we pause to remember. I am Aunt Georgena Rand's daughter.

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**Marilyn Schmit** - January 21, 2016 at 02:04 PM