



## Catherine A. Irmer

March 10, 1954 - May 29, 2019

Catherine Ann Hodl Irmer, 65., a resident of Waterville since 1972, went to be with the Lord on Wednesday, May 29, 2019 after a long battle with Alzheimer's disease.

She was born in Spokane WA to Joseph Hodl Jr and Patricia Hodl March 10, 1954.

Catherine was the eldest of four children with three younger brothers.

Catherine grew up in the friendliest neighborhood on Spokane's South Hill. She spent many fun filled afternoons playing with her younger brothers and neighborhood friends. The entire neighborhood played an important role in her life. You knew it was time to come home when Pat , mom, would let out "the whistle."

She attended school at St. Peter's Catholic Church and went on to graduate from Marycliff High School for girls.

She met the love of her life, Leo, on a blind date. They were married August 26, 1972 at Sacred Heart Catholic Church.

Catherine was blessed with two beautiful children, Michael and Jennifer. She poured her heart and soul into raising them. From room mother at Waterville elementary to attending every sporting event, band concert, and even leading a local Camp Fire and 4H club, Catherine was always there for her children. We will always remember the fun times spent on those band trips with her as a chaperone.

Catherine was also very involved with the Wheat Wives, baking cinnamon rolls for the fair, with local charities and providing much needed scholarships to graduating seniors. As a Wheat Wife, she formed lasting friendships that meant the world to her. She also gained a special sister when she moved to Waterville. Her sister-in-law, Brenda, made the transition from city life to country life that much easier. Raising kids together and sharing time chatting and shopping formed one of the greatest bonds that has lasted a lifetime. Each one relied on the other. Brenda, You were her true sister, thank you.

Her hobbies included sewing, crafting and scrapbooking, photography, fishing, gardening and traveling. She loved Disneyland, the ocean and the feeling of sand between her toes.

Her greatest joy came with the gift of being Grandma to two adorable and giggly Granddaughters, Shelby and Zoe.

Catherine's sense of humor, generosity and kind nature will be missed. She considered every friend and neighbor as family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Joe and Pat Hodl. Survived by her husband, Leo, her children, Mike (Heather) Irmer, Jennifer (Kevin) Kammerer, granddaughters , Shelby and Zoe, siblings Joe (Cheri) Hodl, Tom (Stacy) Hodl, Chris Hodl and brothers-in-laws Russell (Brenda), Wayne (Barbara) and Neil (Becky) along with nieces, nephews and their families.

Catherine lost her battle with Alzheimer's. She passed away with her children by her side. A funeral mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, June 4, 2019 at 2:00 pm at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Waterville. Interment will follow at the Waterville Cemetery.

Donations in her name can made to the Waterville Clinic and/or Waterville Ambulance fund.

# Events

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**JUN**   **Mass**                      02:00PM

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St. Joseph Catholic Church Waterville  
101 E. Poplar, Waterville, WA, US, 98858

# Comments

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“ Jennifer Kammerer lit a candle in memory of Catherine A. Irmer



Jennifer Kammerer - June 19, 2019 at 11:10 PM

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Jennifer Kammerer - June 19, 2019 at 10:17 PM

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“ Hard to find words to express the sadness I feel for Cathy's passing. Living across the street from each other, we were best of friends in grade school and shared many happy memories. Her gentle spirit will be missed.

Peggy Donovan Davey - June 08, 2019 at 11:07 AM

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“ Leo, I was deeply saddened when I read in today's Spokesman Review of the passing of Cathy. I will never forget the kindness you, Cathy and the entire Irmer family expressed toward my Dad and me when we showed up on your farm in the 1980s looking for a place to hunt chukars. And how crazy you thought we were to walk up and down the canyons to hunt those birds! The friendships we established with you and your family have been very special us. Friendships founded in kindness, respect and trust. You have my deepest sympathy for the loss of Cathy.  
John Lagerquist - Spokane, WA

John Lagerquist - June 04, 2019 at 07:09 PM



“ Anne Rolfe lit a candle in memory of Catherine A. Irmer



**Anne Rolfe** - June 03, 2019 at 06:54 PM

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“ Catherine was in my graduating class of 1972, from Marycliff High School. I never once heard an unkind word from her toward anyone. I am so sorry to hear that this sweet soul was afflicted with a cruel disease and left her loved ones too soon.



**Melinda Mueller** - June 03, 2019 at 03:30 PM

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**Anne Rolfe** - June 03, 2019 at 03:11 AM



“ Ann, thank you for sharing this photo! I can only imagine what you were up to. Mom always loved to have a good time with good friends. She spoke fondly of her experiences with friends at school.

**Jennifer Kammeer** - June 06, 2019 at 01:37 PM

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“ I spent two years with Cathy at St Peters. I always thought she would go into the nunnery, as we used to call it back then. Turned out She moved to Waterville after getting married and I wound up 30 miles away in Wenatchee. We seemed to run into each other , usually around Christmas, and at Costco. She was a kind soul and always upbeat. She will truly be missed, and I know that God is holding her close in his arms.

**Randy Chapman** - May 31, 2019 at 11:38 PM