



## Eileen Zones

August 8, 1929 - April 30, 2020

Esther “Eileen” Zones, 90, a longtime resident of Waterville, passed away April 30, 2020. She was born August 8, 1929 in Omak, WA to Preston and Dicie Pyeatt. She grew up in the Tonasket area and graduated from Tonasket High School in 1947. She attended business school in Mt. Vernon, WA. After completion, she worked at the Welfare office in Okanogan, WA and then worked for several years at Grand Coulee Dam as a secretary to the engineers. On January 30, 1954, Eileen married John Charles Zones in Okanogan, WA. Eileen and John lived 62 of their 65 married years in Waterville where they raised their three children Don, April and Marla. In March of 2016 Eileen and John moved to Bonaventure Senior Living. Both also lived at Golden Years Adult family home and after John’s passing in 2019, Eileen has lived at Blossom Creek Memory Care.

Eileen was a nurse’s aide at the Douglas County Memorial Hospital in Waterville and packed apples for many years for Orondo Fruit Shippers and Auvil Fruit Company. She was a woman of many talents; she was a wonderful cook and was known for some years as “the cookie lady” because of all the delicious and beautiful cookies she baked and sold for special occasions. In her earlier years, she was active in PTA and was a volunteer who helped decorate the Waterville float for Apple Blossom and other parades. She enjoyed playing the piano, crafts, gardening, canning, word puzzles and was an authority on good restaurants and latte stands throughout the Pacific Northwest and into Canada.

Eileen was part of a nondenominational worldwide fellowship of Christians. She made her choice to serve God at the age of 9 and was faithful until the end.

She is survived by her children; Don, of Cashmere, WA; April (Darrel) Dusek of Libby, MT; Marla (Calvin) Nation of Marysville, WA; grandchildren Amber (Mike) Herrera, Austin (Tresha) Zones, Jonathan (fiancé Felicia Luna) Dusek, Erin (Cody) Lozier, Derrick (fiancé Priscilia Octarina) Nation, Brendan (Emily) Nation, Lacey (James) Carew, Rhonda (Verlyn) Woehl and Troy (Gloria) Dusek; great grandchildren Arianna, Kai, Mya, Jaden, Aiden, Emmitt, Penelope, Asher, Quinlynn, Sofia, Kaleb, Kaitlyn (Shayne), Branden and Malachi; great-great-grandson Kasyn; her sister, Laura Sjogren of Mt. Vernon, WA and many nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her husband John, her parents, Preston and Dicie Pyeatt and her infant sister Emma Jean Pyeatt.

The family would again like to thank Derek Whitehall, PA-C, Golden Years Family Home,

Blossom Creek Memory Care and Hospice for their loving and compassionate care. A special thank you to Marilyn Sherling, Shirley Aarestad and Terry and Evelyn Gildersleeve for their continued visits and kindness to Mom. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation to the Waterville Ambulance Fund by calling The Waterville Clinic at 509 745-8461.

There will be a private graveside service at the Waterville Cemetery.

# Comments

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“ I am so sorry for your loss. I loved the John and Eileen. They were great customers at Smitty's. I waited on them for over 30 years. I used to tease your dad about going to Denny's. Nicest people that you've ever met.

**Lorrie Bradley** - May 05 at 04:45 PM



“ Thank you, Lorrie, for taking the time to leave a message. Mom and Dad loved going to Smitty's. You were so good to them. It meant a lot to them and it means a lot to the family too.

**M Nation** - May 13 at 06:30 PM

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“ I am saddened to hear of your Mom's passing. I will always remember her kindness towards my family while we lived in Waterville. Her big smile and giggle were so contagious! She will always have a special place in my heart. My sympathy to all of her family. Vonnie (Schober) Siemsen

**Yvonne** - May 05 at 12:03 PM



“ Vonnie,  
Thank you for your message. You were a special special friend to Mom. As you mentioned, there was always a lot of laughing going on when you two were together. We all miss those days. Your friendship, cards and letters over the years were so nice and very appreciated. Hope you are doing well.

**M Nation** - May 13 at 06:46 PM

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“ Don, April and Marla---so very sorry about your mom's passing. I have fond memories of the times spent with your parents when I lived in Waterville. They were both special to me. Heartfelt condolences. Kay Hamon

**Kay Hamon** - May 03 at 11:59 PM



“ Kay,  
Those were the days, weren't they? Seems like they went by so fast. We are glad for the good memories we have. Thank you for your message.

**M Nation** - May 13 at 06:49 PM