



## Virginia E. Clarke

October 31, 1929 - May 3, 2021

Virginia was born in the Campbell's home on Peshastin Creek on October 31, 1929. She was proud to call herself a farm girl her entire life. She loved teaching her children and grandchildren about the place where she came from. Virginia graduated from Peshastin High School in 1947. She was an attendant to the Apple Blossom princess that year, riding the float in the Apple Blossom Parade. After graduation, Virginia went to work in the office at Peshastin Fruit Growers. In 1949 she married Edward Clarke and moved to the ranch on the North Road where they converted an old carriage barn into a house. It was the home they lived in and she loved for almost 72 years. More than anything else Virginia was a wonderful wife, mother and grandma. She was an avid reader and instilled in her four children a love of books. She was an accomplished sewer and needleworker, passing her skills on to her daughters. She loved gardening and working alongside Ed as a farm-wife raising apples and pears. For many years she drove truck during harvest, hauling fruit for the ranch. After retirement Virginia and Ed were able to travel extensively around the world. She always enjoyed seeing new places and meeting new people, but she was the happiest when she got back home to her farm on the North Road.

Virginia is survived by her husband, Edward Clarke; daughter, Janice Merriman (Douglas); son, Douglas Clarke; daughter, Melissa Clarke (James Duggan); seven grandchildren, Colin, Erin, Kelly, Mason, Maggie, Alec and Laura; and seven great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her son, Paul Clarke.

Virginia's life will be remembered and celebrated on Friday, May 14th at 10:00 am at Light in the Valley Community Church, 8455 Main Street, Peshastin, WA. Private family interment will take place at Peshastin Cemetery. Friends and family may visit Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home on Thursday, May 13th from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm. In lieu of flowers please consider a donation in her name to the Peshastin Public Library.

# Events

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**MAY**   **Service**                      10:00AM

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Light in the Valley Community  
8455 Main Street, Peshastin, WA, US

# Comments

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“ A tribute video has been added.



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - May 13 at 07:52 PM

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“ Virginia was always so positive and uplifting to be around. She was so kind to me as a friend of her daughter, Janice. She made the world a better place.

DK Hamblet - June 07 at 12:26 PM

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“ 10 files added to the album LifeTributes



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - May 12 at 11:35 AM

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“ 58 files added to the album LifeTributes



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - May 11 at 07:55 PM

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“ Sympathy to the family on the loss of your loved one. Leo and Pat Sax

Leo Arthur Sax - May 09 at 02:14 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Memories Album



Melissa Clarke - May 06 at 06:15 PM