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Irene Louise Martin was born on March 31, 1931, in Penzance, Saskatchewan, Canada to Mary and Andrew Mish. She died March 19, 2011, as a result of pancreatic cancer. She had four brothers and one sister. Irene graduated from high school in Vancouver, B.C., where she received training as a Secretary, which she used in her position at London Life Insurance Company. Irene met the love of her life when she was 21 years old. Dave and Irene were introduced to each other by mutual friends and were later married on October 7, 1955, in Vancouver, B.C., which began the beautiful journey of their life and family together. The loving newlyweds then relocated to Penticton, B.C. to start their family and later moved to the United States, as part of their life adventure. Upon becoming "empty nesters," they began their journey as Arizona snow birds for 12 years, enjoying Arizona, friends and sunshine during the winter, then coming back up North to spend the spring and summers with their children and grandchildren. In her battle with cancer, Irene remained strong and continued to enjoy time with her immediate family and visits from her extended family. During her last Christmas with us, even in her weakened condition, she insisted on making and sharing treats with family and neighbors. We are blessed to have had time during her illness to love and

support her. We will miss our "wife," "momma" and "granny."

Irene is survived by her devoted husband, best friend and lifetime partner of 55 years, Dave; two children, Tracy (Mark) Janosik of Yakima and Corey (Christine) Martin of East Wenatchee; and her brother, Stan Mish of Richmond, B.C. Granny is sadly missed by her grandchildren, Lauren Ravensborg of Vancouver, B.C., Levi Ravensborg of Grande Cache, Alberta, Chase Janosik of Yakima and Lindsay and Landon Martin, both of East Wenatchee. Irene was sadly preceded in death by her beloved daughter, Tara (Brent) Ravensborg of Penticton, B.C.; one sister, Mildred Grant; and three brothers, Ed, Sam and Walt Mish.

She will always be remembered for her good sense of humor, hospitality and immense love for the family.

Private Family Services will be held.