



June Meredith Hill

June 20, 1931 - April 19, 2016

June Meredith (Foster) Hill passed away peacefully April 19th, 2016, at Central Washington Hospital in Wenatchee after a full and long life.

June was born at St. Anthony's Hospital in Wenatchee on June 20, 1931, during the Depression. She was the youngest daughter of 9 children born to Howard R. and Lydia (Gunn) Foster. Her dad ran a pear orchard between Peshastin and Dryden. When she was in 3rd grade, her mother got a teaching job in Gold Bar, Washington. The next year, her mom started teaching in Dryden where she taught for many years.

After graduating from Peshastin High School, she attended Central Washington State College (now Central Washington University) in Ellensburg. After 3 years, she received an emergency teaching certificate and started teaching at Malaga Grade School. She went to college many summers to finish her B.A. in Education and take her 5th year classes to receive her continuing teaching certificate.

June married Robert L. Hill of Malaga on August 18, 1953 and they had 4 children. Bob owned and ran a small cherry orchard and was the rural mail carrier for the Colockum and Malaga areas. June took time off from teaching to raise the kids. She went back to teaching in Malaga and taught 2nd grade for several years. Later she received a job at Grant Elementary School in East Wenatchee and taught 1st or 2nd grade there for 24 years. She loved to teach.

Bob passed away in May of 1994 and soon after June moved into a house in

Wenatchee. In 2011, she moved to an apartment at Columbia Heights, then their assisted living, then in December 2015, to an adult family home near her daughter in Ephrata.

June was very busy after her retirement from teaching helping with Meals on Wheels, singing in the Wenatchee Applearies and church choir, having leadership positions in the Retired Teachers Association, being an active member of the Wenatchee Church of the Nazarene in Missions, Sunday School teaching, and Vacation Bible School teaching and musical performances. She helped at the American Red Cross blood drives and was a blood donor (20+ gallons!) She loved the exercise classes at the Wenatchee Senior Center and loved to go dancing at the Wenatchee Senior Center and the Leavenworth Senior Center. She loved camping and spending time with her family as often as she could.

June was preceded in death by her parents, her siblings (Howard, Mervin, Bob, Frances, Peggy, Norma, and an infant sister), by her son-in-law, Mark Schons, her step-son, Jerry Hill, and by her grandson, Brian Hill.

She is survived by her brother, Clarence (Dolores) of Wenatchee, her sister-in-law, Faye Davis, and her children-Edward (Marsha) Hill of Beaverton, OR; Meredith (Dale) Walker of Ephrata, WA; Joanne Schons of Lake Stevens, WA; and Harold (Cristina) Hill of Mountlake Terrace, WA. Her surviving grandchildren are: Michael (Catherine) Walker, Elizabeth (Jake) Lindgren, Kelsey (Ayanna) Vest-Hill, Kathy Schons (Raul Swain), Daniel (Michelle) Walker, Kevin (Shelley) Hill, Julie (Josh) Hill Kimbrell. She is also survived by 13 great-grandchildren, several nieces and nephews, and her step-daughter, Linda Worley, and her family.

The family would like to thank her nieces, Helen and Joyce; the staff at Central Washington Hospital; the staff and her friends at Columbia Heights; and Harold, Betty, and Maria at Coolidge House in Ephrata for their wonderful care of Mom in these last few years.

Donations can be made to the Wenatchee Church of the Nazarene Mission Fund or a charity of your choice.

A memorial service will be held at the Wenatchee Church of the Nazarene on Miller St. on Saturday, May 14th, at 2:00. Please express your thoughts and memories on the online guest book at jonesjonesbetts.com. Arrangements are by Jones & Jones – Betts Funeral Home.

Previous Events

Service

MAY 14. 2:00 PM (PT)

Wenatchee Church of Nazarene
1011 S Miller Street
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Tribute Wall

KS

“ Mrs. Hill was my first grade teacher at Grant Elementary. She was always my favorite. :)

*To think of her brings me warm thoughts,
her smile was like the sun.
At that age, school was sometimes rough,
but she always made it fun.*

*She always made time to listen,
to a timid and shy little me.
After lunch she'd say, "You can go out and play?"
When I couldn't, she'd say, "Well, stay with me."*

*As an adult I would sometimes see her,
shopping here or there around town.
I would always stop her to say, "Hello",
I don't think I ever saw her frown.*

*I'd always remind her who I was,
She'd say, "Of course, I remember you!"
It made me happy to "remember when",
I hope somehow it blessed her too.*

*A beautiful lady, who lived a beautiful life,
That's how she'll be remembered by me.
It's sad to think she's left this earth,
but I know the angels are singing with glee.*

May God bless you Mrs. Hill, the way you blessed me and so many others. I pray peace for your family and their loss.

With love and admiration.

"Kimi Running"

Kim Schooley - May 14, 2016 at 02:10 AM

LB

“ June was a sweet friend and mentor in teaching. She held a special place in her heart for her students. She shared joy, creativity, and laughter and this paved the way to learning. Teachers become, "family" and remain connected. Her children knew their mom was loved by her coworkers. She will be missed, but will live on in good memories.

With love,
Lynne Barnhart

Lynne Barnhart - May 06, 2016 at 11:49 AM

JC

“ June was quite a lady and a wonderful teacher. I worked with her at Grant School in the 80"s.

The students, parents and staff loved her. She helped so many children get the important start in their school career. I loved her quiet sense of humor. She will be truly missed. Our thoughts are with family.

-Josie Calhoun

Josie Calhoun - May 03, 2016 at 09:51 PM

DE

“ I loved Mrs. Hill; she, too, was my second grade teacher and I always remember her kindness, compassion and gift of making every child feel special. She was a wonderful teacher. May God grace her family with peace, knowing she is soaring with the angels, as she was truly one on earth.

Denise - April 27, 2016 at 04:29 PM



"My girls had her and what a special loving lady and teacher. They learned, had fun and gain confidence because of June. She will be missed!"
Rickie

Summer Days - May 03, 2016 at 06:48 PM

MS

*“ I have very fond memories of June. She was my 2nd grade teacher at the Malaga Grade School. Kind and gentle best describe her character for me. When I was sick with tonsillitis, June came to our house... and brought me a card with little gray bunny rabbits all over it! May our Lord grant you many gifts in his Kingdom. You taught us well...
-Myron Stutzman*

Myron Stutzman - April 23, 2016 at 07:02 AM

CH

“ So many memories from my childhood that involve June. She was always involved with all the goings on at the Naz and planned the activities with the kids. As a young girl I would go with my mother to the ladie's luncheons and tell her about school and skating. She was a lovely woman and will be missed.

christine - April 22, 2016 at 10:41 PM

 Linda
Pusey

“ Oh, I loved June! We were choir buddies in the 90s at the Nazarene church. I held the music and June turned pages. Over the years we shared comraderie and love, from her birthday cards and bulletin boards to stories about each of the kids and grands. She was so proud of her family, and laughed with delight at each memory from her teaching years. Blessings to each of you, her family. She was a grandma to be thankful for and proud of!

Linda Pusey - April 22, 2016 at 10:12 AM