



Kathryn Sabina Kane

February 4, 1919 - March 25, 2022

February 4th, 1919 was not a particularly notable nor historic day. World War I had been over for several months and most of the troops were on their way home. Woodrow Wilson was president and Benedict XV was the pope. To Patrick and Francse Smith, however, it was a very important day. It was the day their first daughter Kathryn Sabina was born.

It was not a hospitable environment that she was born into; the family home was a tent in a snowy field at the base of a low hill outside of a small community known as Twisp. Some homes and businesses had electricity and a few had indoor plumbing. The Smith home had neither. This town in Okanogan county had a one-room school house where Sabina received her early education.

Sabina left Twisp for good after she graduated from high school and moved to Bremerton to attend nursing school. In 1940, her friend and classmate Virginia introduced Sabina to her cute brother Leslie Kane. On December 2, 1940, Sabina and Les were married in Twisp and made their first home in Bremerton.

After the war, they moved their small family, which now included Patricia and Allan to Wenatchee. Terrence and Kate joined the family there and the growing family then moved to Cashmere where Sabina, Robert, James, Grace and later Ron Lyter completed the set.

In 1951, Sabina resumed her nursing career at the Cashmere Nursing Home and she retired from there as the Director of Nursing in 1974. Retirement

wasn't an easy step for her and so she spent the next several years training dozens of nurses aides. For decades after, she devoted much of her time providing compassion and friendship to many elderly people in the community who had limited resources and mobility.

Her faith in God was a strength that sustained her throughout her life and was a source of great comfort in her final years. She was a long time member of St. Francis Xavier church in Cashmere.

Her husband Leslie died in 2011 after 70 years of marriage. Being a widow was not an easy transition for her but with the help of her children, particularly her son Terry, she continued a happy and fulfilling life.

In addition to the eight children, Sabina leaves behind twelve grand children, Kim Leighton of Paonia CO, Ben Williams of Daly City CA, Mike Greene of Boise ID, Chris Greene of San Diego CA, Martin Kane , Alex Kane, John Kane, and Brian Kane, all of Chula Vista CA, Tracy Becker of Chula Vista CA, Sara Kane Pevny of Marysville WA, James Kane and Edward Kane of Wenatchee WA. Additionally, Sabina had 23 great grand children.

Sabina was preceded in death by her siblings Desmond, Jack, Lewis, Helen Peterson, and James Alan Smith.

She will be missed by many and loved by those whose lives she touched.

A graveside service will be held Friday, April 1, 2022 at 2PM at Cashmere City Cemetery.

Previous Events

Graveside Service

APR 1. 2:00 PM (PT)

Cashmere Cemetery
Evergreen and Pioneer
Cashmere, WA 98815

Tribute Wall

JP

“ John and I will not forget our happy visits with Sabina- always welcomed. I will not forget Sabina the wise words she offered that spurred me to complete a lap quilt for my own mom at a critical time.

John and Ginny Peterson - March 29, 2022 at 06:35 PM

JP

“ John And Ginny Peterson lit a candle in memory of Kathryn Sabina Kane



John and Ginny Peterson - March 29, 2022 at 06:29 PM

DS

“ in 1972 9 months before dave was to be released from the navy , he sent me to live in cashmere , to get a head start on our civilian life. we already had our baby son david. I needed a job , she was the one who got me involved working with the elderly in cashmere nursing home. I learned so much from her . to this day what she showed me . the kane's home was always just a one knock to enter thier home. yes visiting the kanes was always a joy. what I learned observing her and les, was a that they were a role model for all of us to follow.

dave/ terry spry - March 29, 2022 at 03:46 PM

KM

Sabina and Les were the dearest friends we had all Jim's life and continued after Jim and Les' passings. No matter what she was ever there for you and yours.

Her apple pies were to die for! She served her life and her many talents with what great love!

Her prayer for her family and friends knew no bounds. I'm certain her entry into The Presence was a homecoming of immense joy!

kathy Melton - March 30, 2022 at 02:24 PM

GK

“ 4 files added to the album Memories Album



grace kane - March 29, 2022 at 03:41 PM