



## Marjorie Roy

October 27, 1927 - February 10, 2019

Marj Roy, 91, died on Sunday, February 10, 2019 in Wenatchee, WA. She was surrounded by loved ones in her final days and went peacefully to the hands of God. Marjorie Marie was born in Paxton, IL on October 27, 1927 to Percy H. and Anna M. (Johnson) Crowe and attended Paxton High School. On January 14, 1944, Marjorie Crowe married Homer Roy in Vancouver, WA, where the couple had relocated the previous year.

The Roy's first child was born in Vancouver, WA, with six more born in Wenatchee, WA to complete their family following their move in 1946. Marj lived in her home for 58 years, 41 of those as a widow—though she often opened her home to family and friends in need to provide room and board. When Homer died in 1978, she started a daycare business in her home which she operated until she retired in December 1992. Marj lovingly cared for dozens of children including several of her grandchildren. She became “Gram” to many local children who stayed in touch with her through the years.

Marj's love of children was a thread that continued throughout her life. Besides being a young mother of seven children, she held a job providing childcare at the Columbia Lanes. For more than 20 years, she led shoebox gift collection efforts at Eastmont Community Church for Operation Christmas Child. She personally contributed 10 gift boxes for third world children each holiday season through the end of her life. For 15 years Marj served as the

Collection Center Coordinator for all the churches in North Central Washington, playing a critical role and impacting the lives of more than 60,000 children through her service.

Marj's life was one of sustained service and contribution to her family, friends, and to God, through her commitment and service to her church and the Wenatchee Valley—and through the gentle grace with which she lived. She was a founding member of the Eastmont Community Church in 1994, proudly designing and stocking the new kitchen and coordinating all events, including Communion and weddings. For 16 years Marj volunteered daily with the kitchen staff at the Wenatchee Senior Center.

For more than 60 years, Marj was a member of the Chelan-Douglas County Extension of the Washington Homemakers Association, serving as the Editor for her local and state chapters as well as President. The consummate homemaker, she was always learning a new craft, but her creative passions were sewing, crocheting, cooking and especially baking. She loved to read, and dabbled in calligraphy as well as floral arrangement, which she did to help Candy at Kunz Floral when the floral shop shared space with Homer's upholstery business.

Marj was a mainstay at the Farmer's Market for more than 10 years, earning money for her annual visit to see her sister, Hazel in Hawaii. Each week, she baked 2-3 dozen pies and sold her apple brownies along with many other baked goods. In recent years, she continued to test new recipes at her son's workplace by reliably sending baked treats each week.

Marj's service to the community also extended to civic duties as she volunteered on the Election Board for more than 40 years until the ballot process was changed.

Besides her commitment to serving others, Marj will be remembered for her gentle grace, her loyal friendship, generosity to others, her quick wit and sense of humor, and her stubborn determination and resiliency. She lived as an example of kindness, unconditional love, and forgiveness. She will be greatly missed, though her legacy will live on.

Marj is survived by four of her seven children: Tom, Linda Seifert, Jack (Roxie), and Ron; 14 grandchildren, 19 great grandchildren and 4 great-great grandchildren. She was preceded in death by her parents, her husband Homer, her sister Hazel, two brothers, Bob and Eugene, her sons: Bob, Jim and Jerry, and her great-great granddaughter Arielle.

The family would like to thank the caring staff at Regency Rehabilitation Center in Wenatchee, and the exceptional nursing team at Central Washington Hospital for their attentive and tender care of our wonderful Mom, Gram, and dear friend.

If you would like to make a donation to honor the memory of Marj and her passion for children, the family has chosen a charity that will make a measurable difference in her name to a specific community in Uganda.

Children of our Father's House is a home for orphaned, abandoned, or destitute children in Kampala, Uganda. Your donation will help them provide a safe and loving home, a warm bed, hearty meals, an education, hope, and a future through the love of Jesus—all the things that exemplify what most mattered to Marjorie. To donate via PayPal, visit:

[paypal.me/childrenofthefathers](https://paypal.me/childrenofthefathers) and include "Marj Roy" in the comments. Or you can mail a check to Children of the Father's House to Laura Carr, US Director @ 11277 W. Belfair Valley Road, Bremerton, WA 98312.

The family invites friends to celebrate Marj Roy's life of love and contribution at a Memorial Service on Saturday, February 23rd at 2pm at Eastmont Community Church, 783 4th St. NE.

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

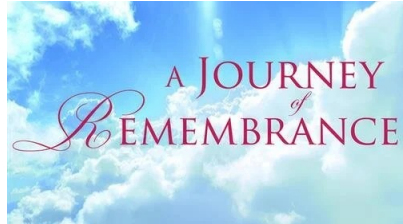
FEB **23**. 2:00 PM (PT)

Eastmont Community Church  
783 4th St NE  
East Wenaatchee, WA 98802

# Tribute Wall



“ Jones & Jones - Betts Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Marjorie Roy



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - February 22, 2019 at 01:00 PM

LI

*I miss my Mom💕*

Linda - May 02, 2019 at 07:37 PM

LH

*I'm so grateful to come back to this video to remember a beautiful life lived by the most beautiful Soul I've known. What a blessing she is to so many who were lucky enough to know her and call her family or friend.*

*I miss her every day, but today I feel an especially deep longing for her physical presence.*

*Sending BIG L💕VE out to everyone whose heart is aching with grief.*

Lisa Herland - June 28, 2019 at 02:18 PM

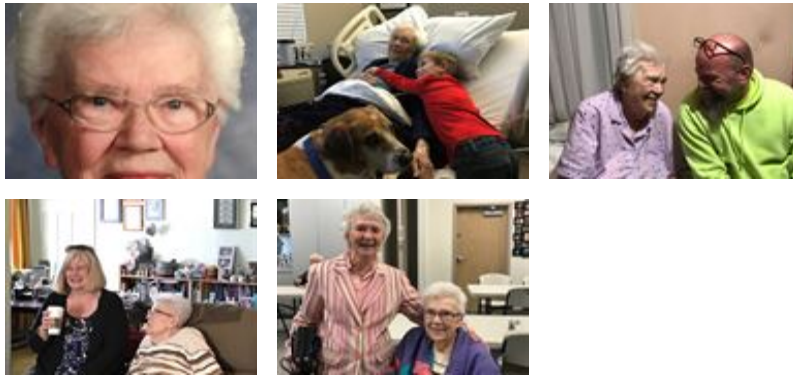
LI

“ I look at this video quite often. It reminds me of a long and beautiful life. What she endured to raise all 7 of us kids. The advance of modern conveniences made her life a lot easier over the years, and her kids growing up and starting there own lives gave her the time to get involved in the activities and friends she loved. I miss not being able to pick up the phone to call her, but I still talk to her in my mind. She left a lot of love behind, but she also took a lot of love with her for her journey with God. Her presence will always be with us all. I love you and I miss you!💕💕

Linda - August 19, 2019 at 06:26 PM



“ 89 files added to the album LifeTributes



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - February 21, 2019 at 03:14 PM

EW

“ I was there at grams house the night that grandpa passed away about 40 years ago. I remember her coming out of their bedroom with tears streaming down her cheeks and seeing him laying in the bed. At two years old, there was a lot I didn't know but I knew she was sad he was gone. I believe they are now reunited. It's been a while. In grandpas absence, Gram stayed strong, persevered and continued on having a big part in raising me and all of us grand-kids. She always tried to do what was right, and instilled good values love, and confidence into all of us in her life. She was so loving, kind and thoughtful and had a way of connecting with each grand-kid that made each of us feel like we were her favorite. At 91 years old she still sent out birthday and Christmas cards they were nice reminders that she was thinking of us and we were loved. She was such an amazing person and will be missed dearly. Thank you gram, for everything...I love you!

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**Erik Wesbrook** - February 18, 2019 at 03:13 AM