



Shirley Marie (Sandberg) Milne

December 2, 1924 - February 18, 2022

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Shirley's last breath was on 2/2022 in the comfort of her family's home with her grandchildren by her side. She was born on 12/2/24 in Lowell, WA to Opal and Theodore Sandberg. She was the middle child of three. Her family moved to East Wenatchee in 1930. She attended Wenatchee High School . The East Wenatchee kids were called Bridge Walkers. Grandma graduated in 1943 from high school and 1944 from business college.

Grandma married Ray Milne in 1945 and moved to Dryden, WA. Together they purchased a pear orchard in 1946. Shirley also worked at Peshastin Fruit Growers as a bookkeeper for 30 years. She thoroughly enjoyed her work. In 1954, they adopted 3 children two brothers (Ira & John) and their sister (Althea). Shirey was a 4H leader for 8 years while her children were young. She was also a member of the Daughters of the Nile and of the Coastguard Auxillary.

She and Ray became Yuma snowbirds after Shirley retired from her job in 1980. They wintered in Yuma until 2010. She made new friends while in Yuma and really blossomed as a painter. Shirley had fond memories of traveling to New Zealand with Ray, to Scotland with her sister-in-law June and an Alaska Cruise with her good friend Carol. Her favorite hobbies were cultivating her flower gardens, painting and reading books. Playing Bunco with her good friends was something she looked forward to every Friday.

Grandma was proud to be the oldest person in Dryden. She was a social person calling everyone she met "honey."

Grandma was preceded in death by her husband Ray Milne, siblings Robert and Jack Sandberg and children Ira & John Milne & Althea Haney. She is survived by her grandchildren Mike Milne, Kevin and Rob Delzer, Lisa (Kent) Heminger, Amanda & Raymond (Scottie) Haney, Great grandchildren Noah & Marina Heminger; Maverick, Sesalie, Jake and Jordan Delzer; Great, great grandchildren Faith Haney and Keenan Delzer.

A special thank you to her good friend Diane Parker who was always ready to lend a helping hand. Thank you to the great Central Washington Hospice nurses who helped keep grandma comfortable in her final days. Grandma requested there be no service. Memorials may be made to the Dryden Improvement Club.

PO Box 293, Dryden WA 98821

Tribute Wall



“ I will always cherish the wonderful memories I have of Aunt Shirley. She was always up for anything and interested in everyone else. We had a wonderful time on our trip to Scotland and Ireland with her and Mom. Some of my earliest memories are of going to visit she and Ray during lambing season and picking wildflowers up the canyon.

One of her funny stories took place in the early 70's when Uncle Ray threatened to call the cops over the stream of traffic below their house heading to one of Rocky Parkins' many parties, Shirley told him to forget that idea because "Scott Milne just drove by in his car and the James girls weren't far behind." No one enjoyed a good story more than Shirley.

The torch is passing on all these wonderful women who made Dryden a great place to grow up.

Elaine James-Lieberstein - February 24, 2022 at 06:01 PM

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“ Dear Milne Family,
When I grew up in Dryden Shirley was one of the Queen Bees that we all loved. She had a warm personality that showered everyone she met. The photo in this obituary helps remind me of her infectuous smile. She was truly a Queen.

Sincerely,

Earl Tilly

Earl and Barbara Tilly - February 22, 2022 at 10:45 AM