



Verna Kiehn

December 11, 1926 - December 6, 2021

Verna Jean Smith passed away peacefully after a brief illness on December 6, 2021 in Wenatchee, Washington. She was born on December 11, 1926 to Dwight Bruce Smith and Blanche Boston Smith in their house on the family owned Skookum Dairy on Peshastin Creek. When her older brother left to join the war, she and her older sister took over the milk deliveries throughout the upper valley. Verna graduated from Peshastin High School in 1945 and married her high school sweetheart, Herb Kiehn, in 1948 and they then moved to his family farm on Beecher Hill where she lived until this year and her failing health made it necessary that she receive additional care.

Verna was a devoted mom, homemaker and farm wife. She will be forever remembered for Verna beans, the "secret recipe" applesauce, her red velvet cake, and her famous fried chicken that everyone fought over. She was also very involved with her children's activities, school accomplishments and sporting events. Verna worked for many years for Blue Bird warehouse through the harvest season. Herb and Verna were avid golfers and members of the Leavenworth Golf Club for over 50yrs. She continued to play for many years after Herb's death, particularly enjoying her Monday 9-Hole ladies club games. After Herb retired they would often head south in the winter to golf, see new sights and meet up with friends old and new.

Verna is survived by daughters, Roxie George and Renee Morris; sons, Dave (Corky) Kiehn and Dwight (Pam) Kiehn all of Peshastin; 8 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and 1 great-great-granddaughter. She was preceded in

death by her husband of 47 years, Herb Kiehn; her brother, John Smith; and sisters, MaryEllen Betz and Susan Waddle.

Many thanks to Fabiola Garibay and the wonderful staff of Golden Years Adult Family Home and the angels of Hospice.

A small, family gathering will be held to celebrate Gram's life over the Christmas Holidays.