



Barbara June Pitney

June 20, 1925 - December 10, 2023

Barbara June (McFadden) Pitney, age 98, died on Dec. 10, 2023, in her Vancouver, WA home, surrounded by family. Born in Walla Walla, WA then raised in Portland, OR, she attended U.S. Grant High School and Oregon State University. She was a member of the Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority.

She earned a B.A. degree at Oregon State, with double majors in Home Economics and Physical Education. She was a skilled seamstress who made her own wedding dress and taught tailoring classes. She canned, for many decades, almost every local fruit and vegetable. After graduating, Barbara taught for two years at Albany High School.

On December 28, 1947, she married Elvan M. Pitney in a union that lasted 72 years until his death. Barbara was mostly a homemaker, though she sometimes taught as a substitute teacher and belonged to civic organizations. She was a long-time member of P.E.O. and during the 1970s was President of the O.S.U. Moms Club.

Barbara and Elvan enjoyed their retirement traveling to many parts of the world, spending time at their beach house in Waldport, OR, and winters in Mexico and Hawaii, and volunteering in their community of Sherwood, OR. She and her husband were foster parents to several children, and Barbara taught immigrants English.

Love of family was central to Barbara and Elvan's life together. They were actively involved and supported their four children, ten grandchildren, and six great grandchildren in all they did. Their Christian faith and membership in the Sherwood United Methodist Church were part of their life-long values.

Barbara is survived by her children Kathleen Box, Daniel (Jennie) Pitney, David (Beth) Howard-Pitney, Lu Ann (John) Meisenhelder and their children and grandchildren.

A celebration of her life will be at the Sherwood United Methodist Church on June 29, 2024. Memorial gifts may be made to the Sherwood United Methodist Church.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

JUN **29** (PT)

Sherwood United Methodist Church
22280 SW Washington st.
Sherwood, OR 97140

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“ Donald O. purchased a sympathy card for the family of Barbara June Pitney.



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“ My condolences. My mother was 5 years Barbara's junior. Anne Hopper (married name Olson) grew up in Athena OR. My Mom's parents (Max and Isabelle) were good friends with Barbara's parents, Pete and Gladys. When my Mom's family moved to Portland (1944?) she lived with Pete and Gladys in NE Portland for a couple months. She also worked at Pete's drugstore. She remembers Barbara's kindness to her despite the four year age difference. Mom is sad to hear of Barbara's passing. But she cherishes the memories.

Donald Olson - January 21, 2024 at 07:10 PM