



## Bessie L. Aiello

April 23, 1928 - August 30, 2015

Bessie L. (Brisbois) Aiello (87) of Toppenish passed away on Sunday August 30, 2015. She was born in Wapato on April 23, 1928 to Ray and Georgia (Olney) Brisbois. Bessie was raised and educated in the Yakima Valley and was an enrolled member of the Umatilla Tribe. Bessie was a member of the Native American Church and the Washat faith and was a charter member of the Chief White Swan American Legion, life member of the VFW Post in Yakima, past president and member of the Toppenish Eagles Auxiliary #2229; board member of the Speli-yi Club and board member of the National Council of Aging. She enjoyed traveling, listening to Elvis and supporting her grandchildren's sporting events. Bessie is survived by three sons, Bubby Joe Eyle (Cynthia) Mills of White Swan, Clarence "Sid" (Suzette) Mills of Yelm and James Mills of Spokane; numerous grandchildren; her sister-in-law, Ada Brisbois of White Swan; special nephews, Ervin "Chipmunk" Leslie & Carl Sutterlic. Bessie was preceded in death by her parents, a daughter, Dolores; a son, LeRoy; her grandfather, George W. Olney and great grandfather, Nathan Olney; and eight siblings, Ray Jr., George, Brady, Paul, and Marvin Brisbois; three sisters, Dora Mae Mesplie, Jeanetta and Georgia Rae Herrera. Dressing services will be at Colonial Funeral Home on Wednesday, September 2, 2015 at 2PM. Overnight services will follow at the Toppenish Community Center with burial at the Hadley Ranch Cemetery at 9AM Thursday. Friends can send condolences at [www.toppenishfunerals.com](http://www.toppenishfunerals.com). Colonial Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.



# Cemetery Details

## Hadley Ranch Cemetery

White Swan, WA

# Tribute Wall



“ *Bessie L. Aiello*

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October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Bessie Lou was my Mother in-law for 38 years. She taught me many things about sewing, cooking, and life in general. She had a great sense of humor and said what was on her mind. She didn't "beat around the bush". I will miss her lovely smile and her straight forward attitude. When I traveled to Washington State I always dropped by her house and visited. This was an annual event and I looked forward to it. She loved her native culture and I know she is with her family now. I love you Bessie.*

*Caroline Mills, Eastern Shoshone  
"Bogum-wipa"*

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**Caroline Mills** - September 08, 2015 at 10:55 AM



“ *You could always count on Mike and Aunt Bessie to make it to all the family get togethers. Family meant everything to Bessie. We will always remember her beautiful laugh and how much fun her and Mike were to be around. Gary and Karen Young*

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**Gary and Karen Young** - September 03, 2015 at 12:40 AM

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“ Aunt Bessie was one of the most honest women I have ever known. Loved listening to her tease and laugh!! She always called my dad, Dougie!! Blessings to her loved ones.



Emma Jane LaVallie - September 01, 2015 at 06:43 PM

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“ Vickie Bullard lit a candle in memory of Bessie L. Aiello



vickie bullard - September 01, 2015 at 05:02 PM

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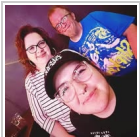
A very special lady whose loving heart will be missed by everyone she touched.

vickie bullard - September 01, 2015 at 05:03 PM

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She seen the person you are; caring for all. Thank you Vickie (8

Robin A. Mills - September 01, 2015 at 11:44 PM



“ Patti Smith lit a candle in memory of Bessie L. Aiello



Patti Smith - September 01, 2015 at 03:31 PM

JL

“ *Julia Leslie lit a candle in memory of Bessie L. Aiello*



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**Julia Leslie** - September 01, 2015 at 02:09 AM