



Martha Yallup

January 18, 1942 - July 8, 2022

Dr. Martha B. Mann Yallup

Martha completed her life's journey on the morning of July 8, 2022.

Martha was born to Jacob J. SR. and Ellen K. Mann on January 18, 1942. Her paternal grandparents were Moses and Ella Mann, her maternal grandparents were James and Julia Kash Kash. She was a proud and dedicated member of the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation and a member of the Disciples of Christ Church.

Martha lived in Medicine Valley and attended White Swan schools through the ninth grade. Then she was sent to private school in Midway, Kentucky, in the heart of the bluegrass area. After two years, she returned to White Swan and graduated in 1960.

In 1968, she earned a BA degree in Education from Central Washington State College, 1978 an MA degree in Education from Fort Wright College in Spokane, WA, and in 1988 a Doctorate in Education Leadership from Seattle University.

In 1971, she began working for her people of the Yakama Nation. She was the Head Start Director, promoted to Education Director/Chief School Administrator for the Yakama Nation Tribal School. Later, Martha was hired as the Deputy Director of Human Services.

As a founding member of Heritage University, in 1995 Dr. Yallup was interviewed by Katie Couric of NBC News. She was featured in Lands End

Christmas catalog and Parade Magazine. She was also included in the book, "Women Educators in the United States 1920 to 1993". Washington State Centennial featured her in the book "100 years: 100 Women, Yakima County". In 1992, she was a delegate to the White House Conference on Indian Education. She was honored for her outstanding contributions to the following: National Indian Health Board, Midway College, Alumna, Seattle University, Women's University Club of Seattle.

Dr. Yallup, was an esteemed educator and served on the following boards: Haskell Junior College, Board of Regents, in Lawrence, Kansas, American Indian Graduate Center, in Albuquerque, NM, and Native American Center of Excellence Advisory Committee to the School of Medicine, University of Washington, in Seattle, Washington.

Martha enjoyed traveling, golfing, sewing, reading, writing, and supporting Veterans' activities. She was a member of the Yakima American Legion Auxiliary Post 36, and Toppenish Eagles Auxiliary.

She and Bill traveled extensively to Mexico, Hawaii, Canada, New Zealand, Japan, South Korea, and the Bahamas.

Preceding Martha in death was her best friend and loving husband of 46 years, William F. Yallup SR., her parents and grandparents, baby brother Mann, brothers James, Jacob, JR., and David Mann, and sisters Ollie Mann Olsson and Catherine Mann Sampson. Survivors include sister, Julia Mann Hill. Martha's nieces and nephews and their families were very special to her, especially her grandson, Audie.

She believed in the Tao saying, "The Journey is the reward". She was graciously rewarded by the Creator's special blessings to achieve her numerous accomplishments!!

Martha felt strongly about continuing education after being at Pinkerton High School for 10th and 11th grade. Her dad sent Martha to Kentucky so Julia would not be alone. After Julia graduated, they both came home. She excelled at White Swan High School.

Many did not know after Martha graduated high school she married Bill, and

she knew she wanted higher learning. She fished on the Klickitat River, Upper Falls, where she lived in a pup tent with her dog. After graduation she did student teaching at Yakima Valley schools. For several years she and Bill traveled to see each other throughout their marriage due to work commitments. Bill worked for Governor Dan Evans for two years. Martha & Bill took custody of their five nieces and nephews and cared for them for five years.

During the past six months, sister Julia, and niece Sydney took care of Martha, visiting her at the nursing home and began caring for her at home on June 8, 2022.

We would like to thank Donna Bob, Sharon Hill, Cinder DeMontiney, Bonnie Labbee, and Bertha Ortega for all their help and mental support. Thank you to Colonial Funeral Home and Sunnyside Hospital Heartlinks Hospice program for their professional help and support. Special Blessing to Reverend Steve Huey and Dr. Kathleen Ross for their time and devotion.

Graveside Service will be officiated by Reverend Steve Huey at Reservation Cemetery, 5161 West Wapato, Wapato, Washington. Deland Olney will sing a song at the cemetery. To follow, Celebration of Martha's life will be at The Fireside Room at Heritage University, 3240 Fort Road, Toppenish, Washington.

NOTE: Due to Covid, please wear face masks. There will be no hugging and handshaking with the family for everyone's protection.

Cemetery Details

Reservation Community Memorial Park

West Wapato Road 5 miles west of Wapato
Wapato, WA

Previous Events

Graveside Service

JUL 14. 10:00 AM (PT)

Reservation Community Memorial Park
West Wapato Road 5 miles west of Wapato
Wapato, WA

Celebration of Life

JUL 14 (PT)

Heritage University
3240 Fort Rd
Toppenish, WA 98948

Tribute Wall



“ *Martha Yallup*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Allison Davis-Whiteeyes lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Allison davis-Whiteeyes - July 30, 2022 at 01:07 PM



“ *Martha was such a blessing and inspiration to many. She was a joy to work for & she will be greatly missed.*

Annette Coyle & Rodney Cowapoo III

Annette Coyle - July 18, 2022 at 01:05 PM



“ *My condolences to family and friends. Rest In Peace 🙏🙏🙏*



Abel French - July 14, 2022 at 05:09 PM

AS

“ *Arquette Sisters lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Arquette Sisters - July 13, 2022 at 03:42 PM



“ *She was always working for all of us to get more education opportunities. She was a leader and she will be greatly missed. She has such an inspiration to so many of us. RIP Martha.*

Carol Craig - July 13, 2022 at 02:33 PM



...suppose to be...she was such an inspiration...

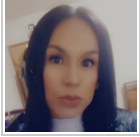
Carol Craig - July 13, 2022 at 02:34 PM

TF

“ *Tess French lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Tess French - July 13, 2022 at 12:16 PM



“ I had just visited Martha here in Toppenish at the Nursing Home where she was living at. Glad I had helped her and her sister Julia. Definitely a strong and honorable member of the Yakama Nation. May she depart in the light....



Kayla Eagle-Fiander - July 12, 2022 at 07:28 PM

JF

“ Jackie and family. purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Martha Yallup.



Jackie and family. - July 12, 2022 at 04:29 PM

RF

“ Roger Houle & Armetha Smiskin Family purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Martha Yallup.



Roger Houle & Armetha Smiskin Family - July 12, 2022 at 04:21 PM

YU

“ Your friends and family at Heritage Univ purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Martha Yallup.



Your friends and family at Heritage Univ - July 12, 2022 at 02:03 PM

DU

“ *Dr. John Marsden and Midway University purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Martha Yallup.*



Dr. John Marsden and Midway University - July 12, 2022 at 11:33 AM

DL

“ *Denise Lieb lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Denise Lieb - July 12, 2022 at 09:41 AM

DW

“ *Debra Whitefoot lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Debra Whitefoot - July 11, 2022 at 07:36 PM

RD

“ *ROSE & DERALD purchased the Sweet Tranquility Basket for the family of Martha Yallup.*



ROSE & DERALD - July 11, 2022 at 07:19 PM

JE

“ Jolene Elwell lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup



jolene elwell - July 11, 2022 at 03:16 PM

JE

i am Thankful for her supporting me when I worked @ YTS,I had alot of respect for her she was a intelligent caring person, may she RIP gone but not forgotten.

jolene elwell - July 11, 2022 at 03:22 PM

DJ

“ My prayers and condolences to the family left behind for their loss of a beautiful lady. She always gave my mom Christmas cards every year which made her happy to receive them. My mom really thought a lot of this awesome lady. May she have a Blessed Journey.



Debra Johnson - July 11, 2022 at 01:19 PM

TF

“ Tess French lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup



Tess French - July 11, 2022 at 02:27 AM

VL

“ My mom worked for this intelligent Lady and her husband called my mother sister, won't be forgotten she accomplished a lot in her life RIP.

Vanessa Lallashute - July 11, 2022 at 01:02 AM

DE

“ My dad worked for Martha for many years and he had so much respect for her. As I grew up I learned first hand how much she believed in lifting young people up and giving them a future full of education and success. She gave me my first real job and years later I was so grateful to be at Heritage University when they honored her. What a beautiful leader. Her presence in our world will be missed. Rest in peace.



Deirdre - July 10, 2022 at 10:11 PM

TR

“ My atway sister's good friend...RIP Dr. MY. 🙏💕🕯️



Trina - July 10, 2022 at 01:42 PM

KD

“ KIONA DICK lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup



KIONA DICK - July 09, 2022 at 05:07 PM

AB

“ *Ann Broderson lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Ann Broderson - July 09, 2022 at 02:56 PM



“ *Shasta Watlamet lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



Shasta Watlamet - July 09, 2022 at 12:36 PM

SO

“ *I worked for Martha for many years. She was truly a great person I considered it an honor to call her my friend. I had great respect for her as a person and a boss. Martha will truly be missed. I'm am glad she was a part of my life.*

Sandra Aleck Ohms - July 09, 2022 at 09:27 AM

JH

“Martha is an amazing soul! Her, Rose and my mom, Jeannette Herrera, helped start the Yakama Nation High School. The biggest part of that was just being there for all the kids and families that crossed those thresholds to the doors of the school and community. As a great friend, sister and partner this woman touched so many lives with my mom and Rose. Jackie as well. I will never forget as a young girl looking up to Martha as a woman of strength, honor and solidity. She beamed of confidence and her high educational achievements were a force to be reckoned with. I was just talking about her the other day and telling my colleagues how these women started something that saved and reconnected so many. I always looked up to her and my mom. Education was one thing they said could NOT be taken from you! As a result I went on to get my college education in hopes to reach heights they did! Now she rests and is an angel watching over us with my mommy. Just knowing they are looking out for us from above gives me great comfort and hope. I pray for Martha’s family that they always remember the wonderful things this woman achieved so selfishly and with such grace. She is truly an angel and I am honored to have been lifted up by her example. My mom always spoke so highly of her and told me how educated she was and how she did things for others without one thought of herself. So much like my own mommy! Proud to have known her and blessed to have such a lady in my life growing up. Memories are what we have now and don’t let her legacy go, tell the stories, share the memories and always remember her with a smile. Celebrate her life as she would want. Bless all of you in her family and thank you for sharing this beautiful lady with the rest of us 🤔❤️🙏

JoJo Herrera - July 09, 2022 at 02:12 AM

SH

“ *Atwy is a legacy who left a huge footprint in our Yakama Nation community in all areas. May her journey be beautifully lit. Prayers for Julia and families left behind. Much love.*



SharonGoudy - July 09, 2022 at 01:50 AM

DN

“ *David Northover lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup*



David Northover - July 09, 2022 at 12:31 AM

SS

“ *I will miss your kindness and smile. Rest in peace Martha*

Stella Speedis - July 09, 2022 at 12:23 AM

AB

“ *May The Perpetual Light Shine Upon Her...*



Anna M. Blodgett - July 08, 2022 at 09:44 PM

LA

“ Laurie Ann lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup



Laurie Ann - July 08, 2022 at 09:40 PM

LS

“ Lynn Squeochs lit a candle in memory of Martha Yallup



Lynn Squeochs - July 08, 2022 at 09:27 PM

BO

“ RIP MBY 🥲💔🥲 YOU'LL BE MISSED BUT NEVER FORGOTTEN ✨ ✨



Bernice Owens - July 08, 2022 at 06:13 PM