



Roberta Joyce Story

July 19, 1935 - November 2, 2022

Roberta Joyce Story, 87, died November 2, 2022 in Yakima.

Roberta was born July 19, 1935 in Lethbridge, Alberta Canada. She came with her parents James and Margaret Maloney to Toppenish when she was 12 years old, graduating from Toppenish High School in 1953 and married her high school sweetheart, Robert Ward.

Bob and Berta moved around a bit since Bob was serving in the Army, returned to Toppenish and then finally settled in Bellevue, WA. Bob and

Berta had two children,
Robin and Jim.

In 1991 Roberta happily
moved back to
Toppenish to be with
both children while
they in turn had her
six grandchildren.

1993 Roberta married
Richard Story and
resided in Zillah for
many years.

Mom enjoyed being
a member of Beta
Sigma Phi and United
Methodist Church.

During mom's life she
was known for her love
of family and wonderful
dear friends. She
loved a good laugh,
loved to dance, travel,
and RV with friends.

Roberta was a wonderful
cook, loved dinner
parties, setting beautiful
tables, holding babies
and shopping
where she always got
the best bargains. She
was happiest making

plans for whatever fun
was coming next.

She was proceeded
in death by her parents
James and Margaret
Maloney, and sisters
Dolores Martin and
Cora Hovde.

She is survived by
her daughter Robin
Kramer Toppenish,
son James (Kimm)
Ward Wapato, grandchildren,
Kyle (Cierra)
Kramer Spokane,
Sawyer (Alicia) Ward
Vancouver, WA, Kelly
Jo Kramer Seattle,
Jakob Ward Seattle,
Nicholas Ward
Minnesota, Hannah
(Uzziel) Mendoza
Toppenish, two greatgrandchildren,
and numerous
nieces and
nephews.

A viewing will be
held at Colonial
Funeral Home, 228 S
Alder Street,

Toppenish Monday
November 7, 2022 9-
11am with funeral service
at 11am.
Graveyard service to
follow at Zillah
Cemetery

Cemetery Details

Zillah City Cemetery

1st Avenue
Zillah, WA

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 7. 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Colonial Funeral Home
228 S. Alder
Toppenish, WA

Funeral Service

NOV 7. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Toppenish, WA

Tribute Wall



“ *Roberta Joyce Story*

October 05, 2023 at 11:22 AM



“ *Robin & Jim Gary and I want you to know that how sorry we were to here about Berta passing. Your Mom had a very special place in my heart. We had some great times together and our tapping Lessons in The Tri City's and other Adventures together. I am sorry I wouldn't be able to come to her service. I have a Dr appointment in Richland Monday morning . Char Clark*

Char Clark - November 06, 2022 at 07:16 PM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Roberta Joyce Story.*



November 04, 2022 at 04:36 PM



“ *Lily and Rose Tribute Spray was purchased for the family of Roberta Joyce Story.*



November 04, 2022 at 04:30 PM



“ *Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Roberta Joyce Story.*



November 03, 2022 at 06:43 PM



“ *Berta let our whole family live with her for almost a month when we first moved up here from California, which gave us time to find a house. This is just one example of her generosity to me and my family.*

Dan Martin

Dan Martin - November 03, 2022 at 06:33 PM



“ *The Martin family purchased the Pink Tribute Spray for the family of Roberta Joyce Story.*



The Martin family - November 03, 2022 at 06:29 PM