



## Barbara Mae Goetze

May 29, 1931 - April 16, 2015

Barbara Mae Goetze of Corvallis peacefully passed away Thursday, April 16, 2015, following a brief illness.

She was born to Peter and Edna Carlsen on May 29, 1931, in Longview, Washington. She grew up there and graduated from R.A. Long High School in 1949. Barbara received her undergraduate degree in home economics from Oregon State College in 1953. She fulfilled her postgraduate dietetics internship at the University of Washington.

She and Norman Goetze were married on Aug. 29, 1954, and briefly lived in Indiana before moving to Corvallis. They were nearing their 60th anniversary when Norman passed away last July.

Barbara was a devoted wife and mother of three. She was a Cub Scout den leader and avidly supported her sons' sports teams. She sang in the church choir. She was a member of the Oregon State University Folk Club, PEO and the Benton County Republican Women.

Barbara was preceded in death by husband Norman; daughter Kathy; brother Peter Carlsen; and sister June Casey. She is survived by sister Margaret Ascue of Sacramento; children Karl and Jeannie Goetze of Hillsboro, and Michael and Anne Goetze of West Linn; and four grandchildren.

A celebration of life service will take place at 2 p.m. Friday, April 24, at First Presbyterian Church in Corvallis. Arrangements are by McHenry Funeral Home. It is suggested that remembrances be given to First Presbyterian Church in Corvallis.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I went to OSU as a Ph D, candidate on 1977 under Ford Foundation scholarship. Professor Dr. Norm Goetze was my major advisor, He was very kind to me and all students at OSU. It is my great loss to know that Professor Dr. Goetze passed away. I am sure that he is now at a good place close to our father in heaven since he was a very good man. Please rest in peace my dear Professor.

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**Dr. Santibhab Panchaban** - April 29, 2016 at 03:54 AM

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*Barbara was very supportive of Norm. When his health deteriorated and he had to use a wheel chair, she made sure that he was still able to do many of the things he enjoyed. They would drive to the farm, visit family, and invite everyone out for meals. She knew exactly which restaurants were possible for Norm to visit.*

*When it was no longer possible for Barbara to take care of Norm at home and he moved to Stonybrook Assisted Living, she continued to take care of him. She visited him every afternoon, made sure that he got as much exercise as possible by walking with him in the corridors, and made sure that he got the newspapers he was interested in. She also helped him get to church every Sunday.*

*After Norm died, it was increasingly clear that Barbara was a very capable woman. She took care of her house, visited the farm regularly, and was able to keep up with all the book work that was needed. She was very fond of her family and was happy when one of her grandsons enrolled as a student at OSU, and she could see him more often.*

*We very much enjoyed Barbara as our neighbor. She would often come over for a chat, and sometimes we went out to dinner together. She was always very helpful, and we knew that we could count on her when we needed help.*

*We will miss her very much.*

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**Cynthia** - April 24, 2015 at 10:51 AM