



Jean Priscilla Bibler

February 24, 1933 - April 16, 2017

Jean Priscilla Bibler died peacefully in Corvallis, with her husband and two sons at her side on Easter Sunday, April 16, 2017.

She was born in Rockford, Illinois, to Florence and Hugo Jacobson.

After graduation from Rockford West High School, she obtained her degree as a Registered Nurse from Swedish American Hospital in Rockford in 1954.

She traveled in Europe with friends, visited relatives in Sweden and worked at various hospitals, including University Hospital in Madison, Wisconsin, and King County Hospital (now Harborview Medical Center) in Seattle. It was there that she met her future husband, an intern on the surgical service, Darrel Dwight Bibler, Jr. They were married April 28, 1962, in Rockford.

Jean and Darrel lived in Seattle while he completed his surgical residency at the University of Washington. They had three children; Karen Leslie, who died as a newborn, Jeffrey Alan, and Jonathan Andrew.

Jean was a loving mother and continued to work as a nurse to help support the family.

In 1969, after completion of Darrel's surgical training, they moved to Corvallis.

Jean was active in the First Presbyterian Church and volunteered for “Fish,” the precursor of Community Outreach. After Jeff and Jon completed high school, Jean reentered nursing and worked at the Student Health Service at Oregon State, retiring in 1999.

After Darrel retired from his surgical practice in 2000, the couple enjoyed extensive travel, visiting many European countries, Scandinavia, Alaska, and the Panama Canal.

Jean was an avid reader, a devoted and loving mother with a great sense of humor, and was loved by friends and family alike. She’ll be sorely missed.

She was preceded in death by her parents and daughter Karen.

Survivors include husband Darrel; sons Jeffrey and Jonathan; daughter-in-law Ann; grandson Will; brother Robert Jacobson and sister-in-law Mary Lynn; brother-in-law Ned Bibler, and sister-in-law Gwen; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers, please make memorial gifts to American Cancer Society, Samaritan Evergreen Hospice, and Heartland Humane Society in care of McHenry Funeral Home.

The family wishes to thank all of her gracious and compassionate caregivers.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. on Wednesday, May 24, at the First Presbyterian Church in Corvallis.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAY **24**. 2:00 PM (PT)

First Presbyterian Church
114 SW 8th St.
Corvallis, OR 97330

Tribute Wall

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“ I always enjoyed the rare visits with my wonderful Aunt Jean. She mastered *Du Gamla Du Fria* (Sweden's National Anthem) in a way I never quite could.

One of my pleasanter more recent memories with her was during my sister's wedding. She sat with us during the reception dinner and got the other non-family folks at our table calling her 'Aunt Jean'. My brother, Dave, kept trying out knock-knock jokes on her and the table, but her disregard of the 'who's there' protocol left him unable to complete the joke. Of course that made it so much funnier for the rest of us. I reckon she had similar impacts on her Corvallis gang.

Andy Jacobson, nephew, Los Angeles CA - May 24, 2017 at 06:45 PM

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“ My prayers and condolences to Darrel and family on the passing of Jean.
- Brian Lee, WestM Board member



Brian Lee - April 29, 2017 at 05:48 AM