



# Marcella (Sally) Dean

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Our beloved mother and grandmother passed away September 18, 2003 after a courageous battle with cancer. Her warmth and generosity mixed with her humor and wonderful spirit in life will be remembered by many who knew and loved her. Sally was born in Storden, Minnesota on June 17, 1915. Her parents, Andrew and Anna Nelson, had a large family consisting of 5 boys and 5 girls. In 1918 her father decided to take up farming in Killam, Alberta, Canada where she then lived the life of a country girl till the age of 21. In 1936 she moved to Aberdeen, Washington where other siblings had settled. Sally and William Dean met in 1941 and were married in 1942. That union led to a military life of living in many places before settling down in the Lakewood area where she lived for the last 43 years. Sally was preceded in death by her "Sailor Boy," and love of her life, husband, William E. Dean, Sr., Cmdr., U.S. Navy, Ret. in 1996. She is survived by one son, William E. Dean, Jr., and three daughters, Sharon (Ken) Miller, Susan Hooker, Jody (Mike) Herrick, seven grandchildren and, seven great-grandchildren. Our family wishes to thank the wonderful doctors and staff at Madigan Hospital, and the Franciscan Hospice for the care and support they provided Mom in her time of need. Services will be held Saturday, September 27, 2003 at 2:00 pm in the Mountain View Garden Chapel, a reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, remembrances may be made to Franciscan Hospice.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

Dear family,Wishing you comfort, strength, and peace during this difficult time of precious loss. Aunt Sally was a wonderful person to sit down and visit with. She did adore Uncle Bill so much, and talked about him so lovingly after his passing, taking out her wallet to show me his youthful picture in the Navy that she always carried with her. She liked to talk about him, and all their adventures and struggles together during the war, so I know there was a special reunion in heaven taking place to also think of on the day of her passing.I'll miss Aunt Sally and her smile, she was a sweet and easy-going person to be with, and that's a wonderful quality to have. Her children and their spouses should be praised for the respect and comfort they gave to her in her last days- such an example of dedication and devotion.Take care, and my thoughts and prayers are with you.Love,  
Teresa###imported-begin###Teresa (Hopper) Porter###imported-end##

October 2 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Family,What a lovely home going service you gave to your mom. We were blessed by everything that was said and you did a perfect job in depicting Sally and her wonderful personality.She and Bill had a unique and very special relationship. They always had a sparkle in their eye for one another - they were so fun to watch when I was a teen. Blessings and much love to each one of you!###imported-begin###Uncle Al & Auntie Phyllis###imported-end##

October 2 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Many Blessings and peace be with you.Larry & Kathy Johnson###imported-begin###Larry Johnson###imported-end##

October 1 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Sharon, Sue, Bill, and Jody,What a lovely service for your Mom! I'm sure she was watching Sat. and was very pleased. Everyone remarked about it. I'm so happy to have been able to get back on time and my friends who were able to join us felt the same way. So many loved her and she left her mark on all she met. I will miss my sis, my jazzing partner. She always said "Mom would be s'prised at our becoming such close buddies in our later years". Sally always said, "we had fun" didn't we? My love to you all and I'm here if and when you need me.Much love,Auntie DeLilah###imported-begin###DeLilah Organ###imported-end##

September 28 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

I'm so sorry to hear of Sally's passing, but I know that she is in a much better place now, and free of any pain. Bill and her are back together now and everything will be fine.##imported-begin##Tim Miller##imported-end##

September 27 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Sally was not only a very Loving Mother to me in the 5 years I have known her, but to all those who have known her. Her fun, happy, and cheerful personality, will always be good memories- She will always be in by heart. Love Diane L Johnson##imported-begin##Diane Johnson##imported-end##

September 26 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We are rembering the wonderful times we shared at the jazz festivals at Ocean Shores.We enjoyed very much being with Sally & Delihla.The three sistersKaren,Judy & Kathy##imported-begin##Karen Pederson##imported-end##

September 26 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

As I said in my e-mail to Bill, my thoughts and prayers are with you all, and as Bill told me, she truly was a beautiful lady, both inside and out.I would have come to the service, but I have been in the hospital at the U of W until this evening, and have to go back in on Monday for a possible lengthy stay. But you all had a beautiful day for the service and I know your Mom was smiling down on all of you!God bless you all in your time of sorrow!##imported-begin##Susan McNulty##imported-end##

September 26 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We were so saddened when my grandmother (Gloria Warner) told us of Sally's passing. Grandma has so many fond memories of Sally and it was evident that friends like Bill and Sally only come along once in a lifetime. Please know that your family is in our thoughts and prayers.Bryan, Wendy & Mallory Claypool##imported-begin##Bryan, Wendy & Mallory Claypool##imported-end##

September 25 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Aunt Sally and I have been snail mail pen pals this last year. She would crack us up with her upbeat self and oh so humorous writing style describing everyday life. That was Sally. She wrote just as she talked. I know she is loving her new surroundings, walking those golden streets and is finally reunited with Uncle Bill. What a glorious time for her! We will miss her! With lots of God's comforting blessings and always love, Pat and Ron##imported-begin##Pat Sullivan##imported-end##

September 25 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Bill and Family, Our heart felt sympathy goes out to you in your time of sorrow. I know that nothing can replace a mothers love. But find comfort in knowing that you have loving friends that care about you.##imported-begin##Bill and Sharon Barner##imported-end##

September 25 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

What a dear sweet lady. Seeing Marcella and her family come in was always a bright spot in my day. I didn't know her a huge amount of time, but she now owns territory in my heart. Aloha.##imported-begin##Debra Pontius##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I look at Sally's face and see such a strong family resemblance in each of you. And it's not just physical, as I think you have all inherited her creativity, her spirited response to life, and strong belief in family. Love, Diane##imported-begin##Diane Kinman##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jody, Sharon, Susan and Bill..They that love beyond the world can not be separated by it. Nor can spirits ever be divided, that love and live in the same divine principle....Death is but crossing the world, as friends do the seas: they live in one another still....My thoughts, prayers, and love are with you...Love Laura##imported-begin##Laura Rodenberger - Goodwin##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Words cannot possibly tell you how much I will miss dear Sally. She and your Dad were a big part of my life. There will be a special place in heaven for them.##imported-begin##Theophilos (Phil) & Gloria Ffiles##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Duane and I always looked forward to seeing Uncle Bill and Aunt Sally drive up to our home in Stockton in their big motor home. They both loved life and made the world around them a happier place just by being themselves.We hope both of them are enjoying their new motor home in the sky and that Uncle Bill will never have to drive more than 250 miles in one day. We loved both of them.##imported-begin##Shirley (Frewing) & Duane Cox##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Sharon and Ken- our loving thoughts and prayers are with you and all your family. Love, Cindy and Doug Baldwin##imported-begin##Cindy and Doug##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We love both of those pictures of your Mom, and we will miss her, she was a very special Aunt to us. Our thoughts and love are with the whole Dean family.Denny, Bonnie and Alex##imported-begin##Denny Organ##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Family & Friends,A favorite poem of Mom's that I felt deeply Dad wanted me to write. My Darling Wife(A message from Dad)As we vowed our love, know I am always near you.Just a thought away, and always protecting you.To light a candle, will guide me close to you.And a rainbow, a poem of love to you.Always, I will be here for you.SharonWritten in 2001Mom & Dad ..You are so loved!##imported-begin##Sharon & Ken##imported-end##

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**Anonymous** posted:

I remember my cousin Salley as a heatwarming face and a bold personality with plenty of Love in her heart and a beautiful smile.##imported-begin##Sandra Wimer DeLair##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Our love and sympathy to all of you.Ron will always remember Sally as a beautiful lady who visited with his family when cousin Bill's ship was docked in San Francisco. Being in touch with all of you through our daughter Laura these last months has been a real joy. We pray that you are comforted by the wonderful memories you have - and the firm belief that Sally is again with her "sailor boy" Bill.Very sincere condolences, Phyllis and Ron (Rod) Rodenberger##imported-begin##Ron and Phyllis Rodenberger##imported-end##

September 24 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

NULL##imported-begin##Sonny Schaaf##imported-end##

September 23 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Jo & family, my thoughts are with all of you. What a special precious Mom she was. It's so hard to say good bye to a loved one :(##imported-begin##Donna Eliason##imported-end##

September 23 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

For a time, over 40 years ago, I became a semi-permanent vagabond hanging out at the Dean household and tagging along on family camping trips. Sally made it a comfortable place to be...and I never forgot her kindness. I was fortunate to visit with her again in the later years and marveled at her spunk...and that same kindness. She was a truly wonderful woman.##imported-begin##Larry Parypa##imported-end##

September 23 at 6:00 PM



# Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Marcella by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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