

## Carol Virginia (DELYEA '44) O'NEILL, 1926 ~ 2015

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Ginny was born **Carol Virginia Delyea** on April 26, 1926, to William "Pop" and "Sadie" Delyea in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho. She passed away peacefully after a long, rich life on March 13, 2015, in Tumwater, Wash., at the age of 88. She graduated in 1944 from the Academy of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Coeur d'Alene, and attended College of the Holy Name in Spokane, Wash. She married the love of her life, **Patrick J '44 O'Neill**, on Jan. 4, 1946, at St. Thomas Catholic Church in Coeur d'Alene. Together they raised 13 children during their 68 years of marriage.



They became part the community in each town they lived, including Spokane, Seattle, Everett, Aberdeen, Tacoma and Tumwater, Wash.

Ginny's pasties and tuna pies were second to none. You knew she was going out when she put on her lipstick. She was a homemaker and made our house a home. Ginny loved music and she was always whistling, singing or listening to music and for years was active with the church choir. She loved her babies and made a point of spending time with each newborn grandchild.

Although we were a family of 13, she knew us each as individuals and treated us all as if we were her only.

She was preceded in death by her daughter, Patricia Williams and son, Daniel O'Neill. She is survived by her husband, Patrick O'Neill; and her legacy lives on in their children, Kathleen Sande, Christine Carr, Michael O'Neill, Maureen O'Neill, Mark O'Neill, Shawn O'Neill, Elizabeth Lee, Monica Davis, Carol O'Neill Hasko, Peggy O'Neill and Lena Cain. She was also a proud grandmother to 27 and a great-grandmother to 15.

A Catholic funeral Mass will be held at 12:00 noon on Saturday, March 21, 2015 at St. Michael's Westside Chapel, 1835 Overhulse Road NW, Olympia, WA 98502. In lieu of flowers, the family suggests donations be made in her name to Senior Services for South Sound, 222 Columbia Street NW, Olympia, WA 90501 for a new wheelchair-accessible van called: "Ginny's Bus."

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