



## Lucy Jane Baker

November 6, 1931 - September 10, 2020

Lucy Jane Baker was born November 6, 1931 to Loney Theodore Shackelford and Marie Walker Shackelford. Lucy was born and raised in Crosses, Arkansas where she was instrumental in her role to sustain and maintain the family farm. When she became of age, she moved to Pennsylvania to live with her sister to attend high school.

Lucy met her soul mate Roy Don Baker and they were wed on December 22, 1951, in Delany, Arkansas. Lucy gave birth to three beautiful children, Janet, Rodney, and Debra. They moved their family to Pateros in 1957 where they became active members of the community.

Lucy served her community in many ways. Lucy shared her great cooking skills by making apple pies for our town's annual celebration, the "Apple Pie Jamboree." She also took part as a member of the "Apple Core Band" playing kazoos in the parade, and she kept the sloppy joe kitchen in tip top condition for many years.

Lucy was truly honored to be given recognition for her community contributions as "Citizen of the Year" in 2007. She was a member of the garden club, and made sure she brought her love of gardening and flowers to the downtown area by planting flowers each spring. She was treasurer for the local library and took part in keeping the community's "Lighted Cross" funded

and lit. She was also a dedicated volunteer at the weekly food bank and senior center, where she made friends who brought her love and joy.

Lucy enjoyed crocheting slippers and hats to donate to Samaritan's Purse "Operation Christmas Child" through the Pateros Methodist Church where she was a member. She so loved the annual Christmas Bazaar the women's group held each year at the church.

One of her most patriotic contributions was working with her husband as they originated the "Parade of Flags" in honor of veterans. The flags look majestic as they line the road of the cemetery on Memorial Day. They recruited the family's help at first, then it became so loved by the community, the volunteer fire department has taken it on to make sure the flags are proudly flying. She taught her children and grandchildren how important it was to honor the veterans by putting individual flags at the headstone of each veteran and the kids still put them up each year.

Look up the definition of service and you'll find Lucy's picture there. She served her community and she served her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. But, just ask her family and you will know she loved serving them with all her heart. She enjoyed countless family gatherings to celebrate holidays and family milestones. It warmed Lucy's heart to see her grandchildren cry because they weren't ready to leave Gram's house.

Lucy was preceded in death by her loving husband, Roy Don Baker, her beloved son, Rodney Allen Baker, her parents, a sister, brother, and half-brother. She is survived by her daughters Janet Varrelman and Debra Evans (Jerry), 9 grandchildren and 14 great grandchildren.

A graveside service to honor Lucy Jane Baker will be held Monday, September 21, at 1:00 pm, at the Pateros Cemetery.

There will be a viewing on Sunday, Sept. 20th, from 4:00 - 7:00 pm at Barnes Chapel in Brewster. Please adhere to COVID-19 social distancing standards.

# Cemetery Details

## **Pateros Cemetery**

Cemetery Road  
Pateros, WA 98846

# Tribute Wall



“ *Precht Rose Chapel and Barnes Chapel created a Tribute Video in memory of Lucy Jane Baker*



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**Precht Rose Chapel and Barnes Chapel** - September 18, 2020 at 06:05 PM

JS

*Such an amazing woman and mother and grandmother and great grandmother of some of the most important people in my life. You will never be forgotten and truly missed by all who knew you.*

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**James simpson** - September 21, 2020 at 01:28 AM

LB

*What precious memories! Great sister, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and friend. Lucy was just one of a kind god made especially for us all. What a huge hole she has left in so many hearts. Always in our hearts until we meet again!*

*Linda Brown*

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**Linda Brown** - September 21, 2020 at 12:44 PM

JO

*Best great grandma anyone could ever ask for ❤️*

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**Jonah** - December 06, 2021 at 12:25 AM



“ *Lucy Jane Baker*

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January 29, 2023 at 08:49 AM

EP

“ *Ellen Park lit a candle in memory of Lucy Jane Baker*



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**Ellen Park** - September 20, 2020 at 07:37 PM

EP

*I have known Lucy for so many years and just loved her. She was a neighbor to my mother so when going back to Pateros to visit my mom I always got to spend time with Lucy too. Lucy was such an awesome Christian woman and would share her love of Jesus Christ with anyone. If I couldn't find my mom, I would call Lucy and usually they were together. She was such a special person and I will miss our visits together. My love to Janet, Debbie, their families, also Rodney's family. God has received a special and loving angel.*

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**Ellen Park** - September 20, 2020 at 07:45 PM

WS

“ *Lucy is a very, very special “old” friend of mine. You can't make old friends, so I feel blessed to have had her as mine. We were close and spent many hours together. I loved her like a sister. My heart goes out to Janet, Debbie, their families and to Rodney's family. Lucy will be missed. RIP sweet friend.*

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**Wanda Shipp** - September 14, 2020 at 02:56 AM