



## Sheryl Gross

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Sheryl Leigh Gross of Bridgeport, WA, passed away peacefully surrounded by family on May 17, 2025, at age 79. She was born January 29, 1946, in Spokane, WA to Eldon “Shorty” Ransom and Alice Belle May-Ransom.

Growing up on Spokane’s South Hill she graduated at Lewis & Clark HS Class of 1964. She was active in school activities on the drill & cheer team. She won the “Crisco Foundation Award” for most outstanding student in Home Economics. This passion paired with her seemingly endless energy and curiosity served her well. She excelled at many skills from gardening, cooking, canning, knitting, crochet, sewing clothes for the family, to preparing wild game & fish (there was nothing she wouldn’t try or tackle), even painting and home remodeling.

She was very active with close friends and family throughout her life playing bridge, pinochle, and cribbage. A fun and fierce competitor to any who had the blessing of playing cards with her.

She married Walter “Dale” Gross in 1971 and the two of them operated Gross Drug Store in Bridgeport until 2015 supporting the community that they loved.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Dale; and their daughter, Becky Mae Gross; as well as her parents and brother, Richard Ransom. She is survived by sister, Christine Phillips and husband Tom Phillips (Auburn, WA); daughter, Jill Stone-Harenberg and husband Scott Harenberg (Albuquerque, NM); son, Dan Gross and wife Corrina Gross (Rogers, AR); son, David Gross and Ina Fisk (East Wenatchee, WA); and three bonus daughters: Shan Miller and husband Allen Miller (Mansfield, WA), Wendy Gross (Bridgeport, WA), Kerrie Gross (Quincy, WA); 15 grandchildren; and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was a member of Mansfield United Protestant Church and her wishes were to be cremated. A celebration of life will be held in Bridgeport, WA on September 6, 2025, (details to follow in near future).

In Lieu of flowers please consider making a donation in Sheryl's Memory to [give.kidneyfund.org](http://give.kidneyfund.org) Sheryl was passionate about Peritoneal Dialysis and the freedom it gave her to travel and enjoy her lifestyle as she battled kidney disease. Or her church home, Mansfield United Protestant Church, P.O. Box 55, Mansfield WA 98830 in honor of her faith in Christ.

Please leave your thoughts and memories at [www.barneschapel.com](http://www.barneschapel.com). Barnes Chapel is assisting the family with arrangements.

# Tribute Wall

RD

“ I think she called it cherry cordial, just her talking about it and making her whoop about how strong it was...she always busted me up over that.

What a woman! Love you Sheryl, miss you already, give Dan my love up there.

I loved Sheryl very much and was glad to be able to catch up and chat several times per year for quite a few years. She always checked in on me, gave me updates on family, life, health....she was my stand-in Grammy but also my friend.

I'm so blessed to have had so many years of love from the whole extended family.

I got to have one of our chats just a few weeks before she passed, and am so thankful we had a laugh and a love, as always.

Britt Burke, Shan Miller, Taylor, Wendy, Dan, Jill, everyone else I'm so sorry for your loss.

Much love 💕💕

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**Robin Jacobson Demerath** - June 04, 2025 at 12:26 AM

JM

“ We are sooo blessed to call Sheryl a best friend, and Dale, before his passing. I'm wondering, where will I get my jokes now?

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**Jo and Marshall** - June 03, 2025 at 12:12 PM

FR

I was so blessed to know Dale and Sheryl. I was just a sales rep when I first met them, but soon felt like a friend.

They supported me with encouragement and friendship. Love and blessings to family

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**Fran** - June 04, 2025 at 09:47 PM

PR

*After Alice passed I joked with Sheryl that we were now the matriarchs of our families. Well, so sorry you have now lost yours but you will have many memories and stories to carry you through. My thoughts are with you all at this time. Phyllis Ransom*

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**Phyllis Ransom** - June 05, 2025 at 10:35 AM