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Barbara Howe, of Vancouver, WA, passed quietly in her sleep on Saturday, November 9, 2019. She was born to David & Ellen Thorpe of Pendleton Oregon, October 18, 1935. She attended private catholic school 1st through 12th grades at St. Joseph's Academy Catholic School, graduating in 1953. She attended Nursing training at St. Anthony's Hospital in Pendleton. Barbara was always involved in the medical field. She located to Seattle Washington where she worked for a cardiologist. After the birth of her daughter, Catherine, she moved to Portland, OR to be close to her sister Rosemary and worked for an Allergy Specialist. Barbara met Dick Howe and they married August 10, 1970. With this union Barbara had three daughters join her family, Donna, Linda, and Susan Howe. Two years later, David Howe was born.

Barbara loved being a homemaker and mother. She was such a fun Mom; always willing to partake in a spontaneous water fight in the kitchen, dance to a great tune on the radio, or lay out in the beautiful backyard in the sun enjoying a perfect summer day. She offered us kids the comfort of knowing she would be home at the end of the school day. Our home was always clean and orderly, and we had family meals nightly. She ran us kids to our sports, dance classes, etc. She enjoyed dancing and hobbies such as, Stretch & Sew, painting ceramics, aerobics, family tennis lessons, and taking family vacations. She took pride in the success of her own Pre-natal Aerobic

business in the 80's. Barbara also loved fashion and makeup, always sporting the latest trends. Barbara's best friend was her husband Dick. They had a beautiful life they created together. Barbara will be missed deeply by her family and friends.

You are invited to celebrate Barbara's life with us on Monday, November 18, 2019. Services will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church, Marion Hall, 400 S. Andresen Road, Vancouver, WA 98661: viewing at 10:00 a.m., followed by a funeral Mass at 11:00 a.m., and reception lunch at 12:00 p.m.

Barbara is survived by her husband, Dick Howe of Vancouver, WA; sister, Rosemary Lockhart and family of Portland; daughters Catherine Rosenthal, Donna McNabb, Susan Story, all of Portland, OR; and daughter Linda Twedt of Pittsburgh PA, and their families.

Condolences and memories of Barbara can be posted on this website.