



## Beatriz Laura Proano

August 19, 1927 - May 19, 2021

Beatriz "Bea" Proano, 93, peacefully passed away to her eternal home May 19, 2021.

She is survived by brother, Hector Viteri; sons, Fernando, Pablo, and Fabian Proano; daughters, Monica Osborne and Susan Delong. She is preceded in death by father, Alejandro Viteri; mother, Anita Viteri; brothers, Alejandro, Enrique, Antonio, Hugo and Miguel; sisters, Graciela Ruiz and Maruja Valdez.

Bea was born in Quito, Ecuador Aug. 19, 1927. She and Augusto Proano, a young medical graduate, were married May 20, 1952. Within days, they were on their way to Vancouver, WA, for Augusto's internship. Initially, plans were to return to Ecuador after Augusto's postgraduate psychiatry training was complete. Ten years and five relocations later, they were back "home" in Vancouver.

Bea was devoted to her husband, Augusto, five children, 13 grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren. She was loved by all who got to know her. She was a faithful Catholic Christian. Bea was an active member of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Joseph's Catholic Churches. She volunteered at local schools giving presentations on Ecuadorian culture. She assisted bookkeeping, office management at Augusto's psychiatry practice. Bea was an accomplished watercolor artist. She enjoyed traveling with Augusto visiting South America,

Europe, Far and Middle East. She enjoyed playing tennis and soccer. Bea participated in the Women's League at Vancouver Tennis Club until 2012. Bea was the Original Soccer Mom of Vancouver Washington beginning in 1967. Bea was an avid Portland Timbers fan since 1975 and in 2011, Honorary Member Portland Timbers Army Northern Alliance.

A memorial liturgy service will be held at St. Joseph's Catholic Church Thursday, June 24, 2021, at 11 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations "in memory of Bea Proano" to Alzheimer's Association, 225 N. Michigan Ave. Floor 17. Chicago, IL 60601. [www.alz.org](http://www.alz.org) are preferred.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *The Bailiff Family Jeanine, Curt, Janelle Bailiff Benton and Leanne Bailiff Stermer wish to send our condolences to the children of Bea. We enjoyed living across the street from Bea and Gus for years as did the children being friends. I also worked with The Doctor at VMH and Southwest Washington Hospitals. Jeanine Bailiff*

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**Jeanine Bailiff** - June 12, 2021 at 12:00 AM