



## Betty Jean McDowell

December 26, 1939 - October 7, 2018

Betty Jean (Hughes) McDowell, longtime resident of Vancouver, WA, passed away peacefully on Sunday, October 7th. She was born on December 26th, 1939 in Porterville, CA to Robert and Lela Hughes. She graduated from Strathmore High School in 1957.

Betty resided in San Luis Obispo, CA, New Orleans, LA and Aberdeen Scotland before permanently settling in Vancouver, WA in the 1979.

She was employed by the Washington State Department of Transportation as an Office Administrator for 25 years; retiring in 2005.

Post retirement, she had a full calendar. From home remodeling and gardening to spending time with her friends knitting and participating in a book club. She also enjoyed attending Clark College music events with her nephew Bob. And of course, she avidly followed all Northwest sports teams.

Betty is survived by her brother, Marvin Hughes of Porterville CA; son, Bruce McDowell of Snohomish, WA; daughter, Sherri Caulder of Ellerbe, NC; and 4 grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her brother, Jim Hughes; and her sister, Roberta Ruby.

A family service is planned for Monday, December 17th in Porterville, CA.

In lieu of flowers, on her behalf, please contribute to the following charities which Betty supported; City of Hope [www.cityofhope.org](http://www.cityofhope.org) and Arrythmia Research at Oregon Health Science University <https://www.ohsu.edu/xd/>