



Neatha May LeFevre

January 8, 1941 - April 27, 2018

NEATHA MAY (FINCH) LEFEVRE January 8, 1941 ~ April 27, 2018 Loving mother of three and the family glue peacefully passed away on Friday, April 27, 2018 surrounded by her loved ones. Neatha was born and raised in the Vancouver area graduating from Hudson's Bay High School in 1959 and then served in the Air Force where she met the father of her children William Lefevre. She later obtained her BA Degree from San Jose State and Master's Degree from City University. Neatha was an Occupational Therapist with over 30 years of continuous study and application of occupational therapy and sensory processing theories spending over 20 years with the Vancouver School District helping students with autism spectrum disorders. She was involved with the Autism Society of Washington (ASW) for 22 years serving on the ASW Board of Directors, was Chair of the ASW Professional Advisory Board, and the proud recipient of the 2003 Autism Society of Washington's Life Time Achievement Award. Neatha was also a strong community activist and was passionate about environmental issues. As an Air Force Veteran, she was very active in advocating locally for Female Veteran rights. Neatha was preceded by her mother Ann Wall and father Clay Finch; sister Sherry; daughter Vicki and son Bill. She is survived by her son Chris; granddaughter Nicole and her children; sisters Maxine, Laurie, Andy; brothers Mark and Mike; along with many other loving family members. She will be dearly missed by all. Service will be held on Saturday May 5, 2018 at 10:00 a.m. at Evergreen Memorial Gardens 1101 NE 112th Ave, Vancouver, WA 98684.

Donations can be made in her honor to Autism Society of Washington. "Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up. Galatians 6:9"

Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 03:49 PM

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“ I knew Neatha for such a short time but I knew she had a heart of gold and really cared about the things she invested time in. I am inspired by her passion and plan to honor her in a very special way. Prayers and sympathy to her loved ones.

Jenny Esser - May 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ Recently, you left this Earth and became an Angel. My dearest friend. I have a huge hole in my heart that will never be filled. I'm so thankful for all you brought into my life...fun, laughter, adventure, friendship, support, forgiveness, generosity, perspective, challenge, encouragement, hope, sisterhood, such unconditional love and much more! I will strive to be more like you every day and honor you in every way. Until I see you on the other side...rest peacefully my sweet, sweet Neatha! My deepest sympathies go out to your family and friends, for you will truly be missed by everyone who was fortunate enough to know you.

Lisa Stephens - May 05, 2018 at 12:00 AM

SB

“ So very sad. May neatha forever be with heaven's angels. God bless her. Scott Badesch President and CEO Autism Society of America

Scott Badesch - May 04, 2018 at 12:00 AM

JP

“ Thanks for all your efforts to help people with autism. I met Neatha at some of the Autism Society meetings and she was an advocate for those on the spectrum.

Julie Parry - May 03, 2018 at 12:00 AM

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“ You will be missed by your neighbors & autism supporters I met you from a neighborhood meeting & went 2 autism picnics thanks for taking me to 1 & giving me a ride home.

Michele Manly - May 02, 2018 at 12:00 AM