



## Susan Blanche Partridge

October 25, 1919 - August 27, 2015

SUSAN B. PARTRIDGE October 25, 1919 August 27, 2015 Our little angel, 4' 7", flew away from us in Vancouver, Washington. Sue will be at rest with her husband, Jack, in the Garden of Grace at Evergreen Memorial Gardens. Susie Seeley Partridge was born on October 25, 1919 on a ranch called "Seeley's Bottom" located on the banks of the Columbia River in Skamania County Washington to her parents William E. Seeley "WID" and Grace L. Seeley (Boyer) next to the last of 10. She always believed that her 'baby brother' Jiggs, arrived at the ranch in a basket Mrs. Sams had over her arm when she came to help Grace have the last baby. She was one of four redheads in her family. Hair of red and eyes of blue Gene Autry's song, Sioux City Sue, will always be 'her' song. She attended Skamania's elementary school and then in Cathlamet and last she finished 8th grade at Shumway in Vancouver. She was an excellent student and loved to read. She excelled at crossword puzzles as well. Many years later she was tested for grade level and turned out she was at a grade level of a sophomore in college. She had many dogs and cats through the years and her last dog she 'inherited' from her daughter, Gail, who was named 'Susie'. Not to forget the squirrel named Squeaky that she helped raise from her place in Minnehaha where she and Jack lived. She was there for 54 years. She and Jack were happily married for 48 years on July 13, 1938. Jack was also known as "The Mayor of 53rd Street" there in Minnehaha. She rode her riding lawn mower and trimmed two long hedges on that acre until she sold it in 2003. Sue and her 'ride' retired.

She wore her "Lawn Ranger" hat to protect from the sun and rode "The Silver Bullet" for years. She moved to Bridgewood Retirement to live and made many new friends there. One in particular, Julie Betzner, had people thinking they were twins. But her 'old' neighbors still came to visit her as well as former co-workers from G.I. Joe's which she retired from twice. Love and kindness are two words that always came to mind with Sue, but we can't leave out spunk either. She loved baseball (Mariners her first train ride and to see them play in person), basketball (Blazers has her picture taken with Nic Batum), and softball (grandson and great grandson still playing) and played ball since she was young. When you have seven brothers and only one sister you tend to go in for sports more than dolls. The field out back made a great 'training' ground for her to play ball with her grandsons, John and David. All her life from age 3 onward she loved to dance. Her father and brothers played musical instruments (all self-taught) brought home to Skamania and later Cathlamet by her father. Sue learned to chord on an old pump organ and later piano from chords her dad cut out from the Columbian that could be placed on the keyboard to learn from. They moved to Vancouver in 1930 and then they played for dances all around Clark County at most every grange hall in the area. She and her 'big sister', Bert (4' 10 ") even got in trouble for walking from Camas to Fruit Valley one night to be home in time for a dance the next night. (They rode the bread truck from Lyle, WA and it broke down in Camas has nieces and nephews from her family and her husband Jack's family also. These compromise about 6 or maybe even 7 generations currently in the area. Sue was preceded in death by: Her parents; her husband, "Jack" John Charles Partridge, III; her daughter Gail Marie Wright; all of her other siblings which included Troy Benjamin, Harold Earl "Pat", William Clarence, Burr Warren, Bertha Mae Seeley McKay, Robert Elmer, and Frederick Henry Seeley. A celebration of life for Sue will be held on Saturday, September 12th at 3:00 pm at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, 1100 NE 112 Avenue in Vancouver, WA. After the memorial we will meet there in the hospitality room. Sue was a jeans kind of lady so casual wear will be appreciated. In lieu of

flowers you could donate to the local Humane Society or Paralyzed Veterans in Sue's name as she regularly donated to them. Please sign Susan Partridge's guest book on line at [www.columbian/obits](http://www.columbian/obits) or to Evergreen Memorial Gardens web page at [www.evergreenmemorialgardens.com](http://www.evergreenmemorialgardens.com)

# Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 06:04 PM



“ I didn't see Aunt Sue a lot, but I remember she was always smiling, giving dad a hard time, loving life with all its up and downs. The love given to her family is unmeasurable, but she will be forever with you in your hearts and memories which be shared with each new generation.

Loretta Coffman - September 07, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Sharon and family, my deepest condolences on the loss of your Mother. She was a special woman who always had a smile on her face.

Margie Warren - September 06, 2015 at 12:00 AM



“ Sharon, you had such a special mom "Sue Partridge" I have always had fond memories visiting the Partridge family with my parents as a kid. Sue had such a full, happy and loved life. This side of the family from Spokane, Post Falls Idaho and Tulsa Oklahoma will dearly miss her.

Yvonne Packer - September 05, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ I attended several of Sue's birthday celebrations in which her family had all gathered. I could see the "love of FAMILY" that is shared among the members and the open arms they have for the "outsiders". Her brother -Jiggs has become very close with my family and he always has such wonderful thoughts of his family growing up. I find comfort in the fact that Sue had a very full life and that she is joining the love of her life.

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**Joanna Evans** - September 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sue was a wonderful person who always had a smile and twinkle in her eye. She had a good sense of humor. We'll miss her at all the family gatherings.

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**Donetta & Eddie Shields** - September 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM

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“ So sorry to hear about your mother's passing, Sue. She had a full life. All my best to the family.

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**Vicki Whipple** - September 04, 2015 at 12:00 AM