



## Margaret Ruth Short

November 10, 1948 - December 2, 2021

Margaret Ruth Short (Redmond) passed away quietly on Thursday, December 2, 2021, after a long fight with Dementia. Surrounded by her family, Peggy finally got her wings.

She is survived by her 4 sons; Scott (Susan), Jeffrey, Matthew, James (Lori), her only daughter and caretaker Maggie (Justin), 14 grandkids; Terry, Katie, Wade, Chelsea, Margaret, Mary Ellen, Patrick, Samuel, Cara, Samantha, Brady, Dylan, Jessica, James, 3 great grandkids; Morgan, Connor and Maura, a brother; Jimmy (Kitty).

She is preceded in heaven by her beloved John, a son; Terry, her parents; Marguerite and John, 4 sisters; Jackie, Mary, Ellen, Annie, and a brother; Johnny.

Peggy will be remembered for a great many things in her life. Despite the last 3 years, it was a life well lived. Mom was our first baseball coach, teaching us to throw and catch. She was our first cheerleader, never missing a game. Our first disciplinarian, never missing an opportunity to lay into us when we were wrong. There was never a "Wait till your father gets home" moment. Our parents had the play down cold, and we feel we are better people for it. More importantly, later in life she became our first confidant and ride or die partner, even quitting her job on the same day as Matt to attend a Cubs game.

Moving to Sheldon to be closer to her grand kids, she bought The Rustic Inn and became part of a small tight knit community that embraced her and provided her with a living and that living and hard work is now passed down to her daughter to continue the legacy.

Peggy's family spans across the globe and is evident every August on the streets of Mt. Greenwood during the annual Cousins Crawl where her hats have become legend and the subject of many photo ops. Her extended family of cousins goes from coast to coast and the other side of the world, all of whom know and remember our mother's cackle of a laugh. Together with her loving John, she helped make this yearly event one of joy and laughter. I would call this a full life. Mom worked hard and partied just as hard making sure everyone was having a good time around her. To this day, I think she was the best horseshoe thrower in the family male or female. We owe a lot to you Mom and we will miss you dearly.

Say hello to John, Grandma Red, our brother, Terry, and all of our favorite relatives that you now find yourself reunited with and give them a good laugh.

We will always love you!

# Tribute Wall



“ *Margaret Ruth Short*

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“ *I have only warm memories of my cousin Peggy from when I was a kid in Mt. Greenwood. She was a protector and a buddy. She had my back and I felt safe around her. She didn't take crap from anyone and she seemed to cross, what to me were many worlds at that time. I remember her most at the parties at Aunt Marguerite's house. And all of my Godfather, Uncle Buds kids, who didn't have names to me then, with their loud muscle cars down the block. They terrified me. Peggy would put her arm around me and give me a smile. I remember dancing with her in the backyard parties. (Where did Aunt Marguerite get those bands!? They were awesome with the guitars, amps and mics). Her and my dad were always bumming smokes off each other. Sitting in lawn chairs in the alley watching horseshoes. I think I remember her babysitting for us a few times. Maybe just once or twice.*

*My deepest condolences to all your family. And a big hug to all. May you rest in peace in the light of love. Goodbye Cousin Peggy and thank you for your gift of caring and looking out for folks. I'll see you on the other side.*

*-Gregg*

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