



## Salome "Sally" Formiller

March 4, 1938 - September 25, 2019

A beautiful wife, loving mother, proud Nana, good friend, and thoughtful person passed away September 25th, 2019. Sally Formiller went into the arms of the Lord at the home she loved and cared for.

Sally was born in Chicago, Illinois on March 4th, 1938.

Sally met Jerry whom she married on January 6th, 1968. Sally and Jerry had two children together, Paul and Andrew. The beginning of their life together as a family was in Chicago and then Streamwood, Illinois. In 1980, following a vacation that left quite an impression, Sally and Jerry moved their family to the beautiful state of Oregon. Jerry came ahead of the family and picked out the house that would be their forever home. Sally and the boys followed a few months later. Sally loaded up the two kids and a bird and a bunch of family belongings into her brown Oldsmobile Custom Cruiser for a cross country trip. Sally was a stay-at-home mom to her boys and loved being active in their Boy Scout adventures and would regularly go camping and canoeing with them. She was an active member of her church and spent a lot of her time volunteering there. If something needed to be done, you could count on Sally to be there.

Sally was so thoughtful and dedicated that even with only snail mail and long distance phone calls she successfully maintained a long distance friendship for almost 50 years. The day after she died we found a letter from her friend from Chicago in the mailbox. Her friend, Sue had a dog she loved that was chilly in the Midwest winters. Sally knitted a neck warmer so her friend's dog wouldn't be so cold. This is just one small example of the loving things Sally did for others.

Sally was creative and fun. She used to flood her backyard in Illinois with the hose and make herself a skating rink in the winter. She had many stories of adventures in the Windy City with her friends as a young lady. Sally was always trying new things and was always busy with different activities. She loved making crafts, knitting and baking treats during the holidays. She liked to swim, ice skate and she enjoyed bowling league nights with her

friends at Highland Bowl.

In retirement Sally and Jerry played a lot of golf together. Their home course was Marysville in Corvallis. Sally was a self taught golfer and was truly dedicated to being her best at the game. She played many rounds of golf with all her lady golfing friends at Golf City, Marysville, courses across the state and in Hawaii.

Paul and Andrew both married and had their own children. Sally became Nana to Molly, Eric and Luke. They loved her very much and miss their Nana. All three grand kids liked visiting at Nana's house and always got a kick about her stories from her days in Chicago.

Sally is survived by her husband Jerry Formiller, her sons Paul and Andrew Formiller their wives Celia and Ali and by her grandchildren Molly, Eric and Luke.

We will be having a celebration of life gathering for Sally on Sunday November 17th. We will be starting at 1:00 pm at the Walnut Barn, 4905 NW Walnut Blvd, Corvallis Join us for refreshments and sharing memories of her life. At 3:00 p.m., we will then move to Highland Bowl 2123 NW 9th Street, Corvallis to enjoy one of Sally's favorite activities and share time with family and friends.

Sally is deeply missed by her family/friends and all who loved her.

Stories and Memories about Sally can be left online <https://www.demosdurdan.com/obituaries/>



# Comments

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“ Great gathering today to celebrate a wonderful woman who touched so many. Thank you all for attending.



**Paul Formiller** - November 17, 2019 at 11:48 PM

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“ I worked for home health in the office, Sally called in need of help so she could keep her dear husband home, I helped her with the process,. We became phone friends. She called me when she needed something for Jerry. I could tell how dedicated to Jerry she was. We always got in a great catch up when she called. I retired from home health but I told her she could call me at home. She did call around Labor day with a medical problem with Jerry. I told her who she could call but we had the best visit. I never saw her face but she will always be in my heart. Thank you for the pictures. I am so sorry for your loss. I know you all must miss her terribly as will I. Love Connie King 541 602 4897.

**Connie King** - October 20, 2019 at 10:52 PM

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“ Sally was a very kind and wonderful person with a good sense of humor! She was very artistic and creative and made many beautiful crafts. I knew her through my sister Sue as they were best friends forever. We would always toast to the west to Sally and she would toast to the east to us with a glass of wine after she moved to Oregon. She enjoyed watching the hummingbirds at her feeder on the porch and mentioned wild turkeys in the yard along with deer that passed through. She loved Oregon and often said it was the best move she ever made. She will be missed and I will keep you in my thoughts and prayers during this difficult time. With sympathy,  
Sandy Mech



**Sandra Mech** - October 08, 2019 at 07:35 AM

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“ I am so sorry to hear about Sally and she will be missed by everyone who knew and loved her! We used to car pool our kids to school when we lived in Streamwood and ever since she left Illinois we have kept in touch for over 40 some years! We were not sisters by blood but we were sisters by heart! She was my best friend and over our many years of sharing our lives, our tears and our laughter, we always kept in touch. I was there for her and she was there for me. She made such wonderful crafts, knitted dish cloths, winter scarves for my sister and myself, and even a green and a blue neck warmer which matched our dogs winter jackets, and made cute note cards. When our dog, Smokey Blue, died last November she called and we couldn't even talk much and just cried together for twenty minutes! How many friends would do that? Only once in a lifetime will you find a true and wonderful friend like "Sal the gal" and I was blessed to have her in my life! I will miss her so much and am comforted knowing I will see her again. You have my deepest sympathy. Sue Carlson



**Susan Carlson** - October 07, 2019 at 08:41 AM

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“ Andy & Paul we were sorry to learn of your mother's passing. We have fond memories of her when you boys were in the Boy Scout troop at Zion Lutheran School. She was a special lady and there was no doubt about how much she loved both of you.  
Sincerely, Jim & Penny Macpherson

**Penny Macpherson** - October 06, 2019 at 01:33 PM

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“ My mom always loved crafts. I remember in Illinois we would collect pine cones and she would create wreathes and other beautiful items to sell at craft shows. Recently she enjoyed making cards for others. She was always thoughtful of others. These are just a few she sent us over the years.



**Paul Formiller** - October 05, 2019 at 12:26 PM



“ Will always miss our afternoon chats in the culd a sac on Woodland and trading goodies at the holidays! Miss you sally

**Lyn Martinenko** - October 05, 2019 at 05:30 PM



“ We've been blessed with a number of her crafts over the years too. So sorry for your sudden loss.

**Susan** - October 06, 2019 at 08:28 PM

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“ A few of my favorite photos with my mom.



**Paul Formiller** - October 04, 2019 at 01:43 AM

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“ Here’s a few photos from moms younger days.



Paul Formiller - October 03, 2019 at 10:21 AM

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“ I am heartbroken to hear of Sally’s passing. She was a dear friend and I even considered her to be a Mom to me. I treasured her and loved her dearly. She was always there to listen to me brag about my grandkids and I would hear about hers. She loved them so much and was so proud of them. She was also so very proud of “her boys” and was the most loving and dedicated wife. She shared so many stories of her childhood. I always told her that she was one very classy Lady! She also comforted me when I lost my husband. She exemplified the true meaning of a friend. I have many treasures that she had given to me over the years...most of them handmade with love. I loved playing golf with her back in the day. She gave good advice, but only when asked for. I loved her wonderful sense of humor...the way her eyes twinkled when she laughed. I am going to miss her so much. I will forever love and never forget my dear friend Sally

Diana Albright - October 02, 2019 at 07:06 PM

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“ I'm Diana Butler and have been friends with Sally for over 50 years. I did both her sons wedding flowers. Sally and I golfed all over the State of Oregon. We went to my place in Hawaii and had a wonderful time. My husband Bob and I golfed with Sally and Jerry at Marysville almost every Sunday. We would have a game the women against the men. We shared lots of memories. Sally also took care of our daughter's grave site, and the memorial at the Adams grade school. There is a lot more but this is just few. I will truly miss my dear friend Sally. My God bless her family.

Diana Butler - October 02, 2019 at 01:48 PM

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“ 1 file added to the album Sally Formiller



**Andrew Formiller** - October 01, 2019 at 10:08 AM

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“ Sally was very sweet to me, often sending me on my way with homemade soup. She was quick to give a compliment and praise. I will miss her.

**Linda** - September 30, 2019 at 10:03 PM