



## Marian Maxine VanNice

July 4, 1930 - October 20, 2022

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Marian Maxine Peterson Hill VanNice was born in her grandmother's home on July 4, 1930, interrupting a Fourth of July Celebration. The home still stands on Brown Road in Dallas, Oregon. In 1992, Marian purchased five acres adjacent to her grandmother's so she could again play amongst the oak trees and along Salt Creek.

In Sheridan, Oregon, Marian attended both grade and high school, along with her sister, brothers, and several cousins. She was a cheerleader and student body secretary, and she often picked the most beans, prunes, hops, or strawberries of all the field crew. In 1949, she attended classes at Oregon State University (OSU) for two years. It was there that she met Ken Vannice of Halsey, Oregon, and they married in 1952. While living in the Willamette Valley, Ken completed his education degree and the family moved to Eagle Point, Oregon. It is said that Marian basically ran the town as the city recorder. After seven years, they moved to Vanderhoof, B.C. Canada, where Marian worked as a school secretary and a weekend waitress. Ten years later, the marriage failed, and Marian returned to OSU to earn a degree in education and work as a secretary. In 1980, Marian began her teaching career in Portland and completed it in Brookings.

Marian is predeceased by her parents, Thelma and Glenn Hill, her brother,

Larry Hill, and biological father, Oake Pederson. She is survived by sister, Darlene Brown and brother, Douglas Hill; children, Michelle VanNice Jensen, Gretchen Vannice and Tim Vannice; grandchildren Deon Soukeroff, Jessica Williams, Tristan Scott, T.J. Vannice and Shane Vannice; great grandchildren, Abby Williams, Lila Williams, Cameron Scott, Nathan Scott, and Emily Soukeroff; sisters-in-law, Martha Vannice and Bonnie Vannice; and brothers-in-law, Vern Vannice and Don Vannice.

Marian was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, Good Samaritan Hospital Auxiliary, Timberhill Athletic Club, Pacific Tap Dance Company, Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, and the Vanderhoof Skating Club, where she appeared as Big Bird in the Winter Carnival. She could type like lightening and won an award for taking shorthand at 100 words per minute. Marian loved to watch the OSU Beavers play baseball, ran marathons, studied German, traveled to Europe, enjoyed embroidery, and created beautiful, braided rugs from wool coats, a skill handed down from her mother. Family and friends are invited to Marian's Memorial Service, 2:00 pm, Thursday, October 27, 2022, at Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan, 333 NW 35th St, Corvallis. Marian would love to have you wear your Beaver colors. Please share your thoughts and memories for the family at [www.demosdurdan.com](http://www.demosdurdan.com).

# Previous Events

## Memorial Service

OCT **27**. 2:00 PM (PT)

The Episcopal Church of the Good Samaritan  
333 N.W. 35th St.  
Corvallis, OR 97330

# Tribute Wall

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“Michelle, Tim and Gretchen .... I am so sorry for the loss of your mom. Larry has kept me informed and I knew it would not be long. I know that you all counted it a privilege to be able to be with and serve your mom during these last difficult days.

*I remember the many decades ago right after your mom and dad were married, your dad going to college, and my folks needed someone to stay with Barb, Larry and I while they went elk hunting. Your folks stayed with us for the couple of weeks our folks were gone. I am sure we were not the easiest trio to manage. But I know mom and dad were thankful.*

*Our love and prayers will cover you all during during these next days and weeks as you cope with the large void in your lives.*

*Our love to you,*

*Carole and Gordon Beebe*

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**Carole Beebe** - October 25, 2022 at 10:56 AM