



# Nancy Doris Miles

On the afternoon of September 18, 2016, Nancy passed away peacefully at home surrounded by her family after a battle with cancer. Nancy was 81 years old.

Nancy was born in Portland, Oregon on November 6, 1934. She was the only child of Dorothy and Robert Unger.

While growing up, she attended Mount Angel Boarding School Academy through her 8th grade year. She then attended Washington High School in Portland, and then she went on to become a Hair Stylist.

As a child, Nancy loved horses and animals. That passion grew into a life-long dedication to all animals. She founded the animal group, People United for Animals (PUFA), which is a nonprofit organization dedicated to ending the suffering, abuse, neglect, abandonment, and death associated with pet overpopulation. Her charity group would arrange for the animals to be spayed or neutered and placed in loving homes.

Besides helping the communities abandoned and abused animals, she and her husband Bill provided a loving home to many animals over the past 55 years. She would bring home horses, donkeys, ponies, Brahma bulls, cats, chickens, and dogs to care for. At one point, they had over 20 different animals that they housed in their barn and home whom became their beloved pets.

Throughout her life, she and Bill traveled to different countries, and their family spent a lot of time on their boat, vacationing through the San Juan and Canadian Gulf Islands.

Nancy is survived by her husband Bill, her daughter Juliana Bagherpour (Ben), and her son Dan Miles (Cindy). She had 5 Grandsons, whom she loved dearly: Adam Bagherpour, Aaron Bagherpour, Andrew Bagherpour, Riley Miles, and Spencer Miles.

Special thanks to her friend, Heather Mahl, who helped care for Nancy in her final weeks. She was preceded in death by her Mother and Father.

We know that St. Francis of Assisi was waiting with open arms to greet her and give thanks for her endless work here on earth with the animals.

Services will be held for her on September 29th at 11am at Sacred Heart Church in Battle Ground, WA. Reception immediately following ceremony at the church.

In lieu of flowers, Nancy would have appreciated you making a donation to your local animal shelter or by adopting a stray or abandoned animal.

**“Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.” – St. Francis of Assisi**

