













In Loving Memory of our Mother,  
Grandmother, Sister and Friend



Peggy A. Nelson  
March 8, 1937 - July 22, 2023

**Poem for the Back of Brochure**

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all persons.

Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story.

Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexatious to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself.

Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time.

Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism.

Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment, it is as perennial as the grass.

Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth.

Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness.

Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here.

And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore, be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labors and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

Max Ehrmann  
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### **Obituary**

Peggy Arlene Nelson, 86, of Richland, WA, went to be with her Lord, God on July 22, 2023. She was predeceased by her parents, Willard "Bill" Nelson and Beth Nelson of Richland, WA and she left behind her five children and their spouses/significant others: Deborah Clark with her two children and seven grandchildren; Laurie Connolly, with her three children and 10 grandchildren; DeAnna and Nat Olvera-DeLaRosa with her two children and one grandchild; Mark DeLaRosa with his four children with 11 grandchildren; and lastly, Joel and Carrie DeLaRosa with five children and 13 grandchildren.

Peggy/mom/grandma, will be missed *dearly*. She was so sweet, funny and smart! She was a writer who published two books and wrote ideas for others, however, she never got to finish. However, her favorite writings were poems. She was a deep thinker and her poems reflected those thoughts. Did I mention she loved to read! She could read a novel a day if it weren't for us kids bugging her after school as children. Her book collection was so large it extended into the garage! She also received two informal degrees by helping out her grandchildren achieve their goals. She was a dreamer but a realist. Oh, and every once in a while, when she hears

Bob Segar on the Radio she will turn it up as loud as it goes. She couldn't help herself. Mom loved her Country and was a true and proud patriot, but her whole life centered around God and family.

You will always be in our hearts. We miss you already. Rest in peace - Until we meet again. God is with you now.

Three Songs:

Alan Jackson, the Old Rugged Cross

Tom Jones - Green Green Grass of Home

Bob Seger - Rock n Roll Never Forgets