



## Judith Ann "Judy" Ploium

November 23, 1940 - September 13, 2020

Judith Ann "Judy" Ploium passed away Sunday, September 13, 2020 at the Copper Ridge Nursing Home following a long-term illness. She was born in Butte Saturday, November 23, 1940 to Ralph and Estelle Richards.

She was raised and educated in Butte and her first job was as a telephone operator in Butte. She moved to other states and finally settled down in Vancouver, Washington where she was a volunteer firefighter and was referred to as "99lbs of dynamite" for her stature. She went on to become a beautician and owned two beauty shops. She also managed Swannie's Bar and Comedy Club in Seattle. She belonged to F.O.E. # 2158 Eagles Lodge in Washington. She decided to move back to Butte and worked part time at the Hampton Inn and was a proud breast cancer survivor. Judy enjoyed painting, cooking, crocheting, playing games and Yahtzee with her sisters Lois and LaVerne.

Judy had a positive attitude about life. She had a big heart and was very soft spoken. She loved to socialize with everyone that knew and loved her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Ralph Richards and Estelle Guthrie and her sister, Lois Williams. She is survived by her son, Ralph Ploium and daughter, Kelly (Ploium) Lawrence both of Washington, three grandchildren, Ian, Amber and Shane as well as three great-grandchildren. Also surviving are her sister, LaVerne, her brother Jerry (Terri) Guthrie of Deer Lodge and numerous nieces and nephews.

Cremation has taken place. Memorial services will be conducted at a later

date. Express condolences at [www.wayrynen-richards.com](http://www.wayrynen-richards.com).