

Evelyn Joan (Gendhar) Broadhurst

October 23, 1941 - March 8, 2022

Evelyn Joan (Gendhar) Broadhurst passed away March 8, 2022 after a courageous three and a half-year battle with cancer and a one and a half-year battle with dementia. Many knew her as "Lyn" some as "Evie"

Born in Kalamazoo, Michigan on October 23, 1941, the only daughter of Marian (Abbott) Nobles with five brothers. She shared a very close bond with her mom that she lovingly cared for in declining health over 2018. Until age 12, Lyn grew up around Galesburg, Michigan. In fall 1954 her mom relocated to north Marion County first camping at Champoeg State Park until a home was established at Broadacres. Lyn graduated from North Marion in 1960 where she played the clarinet and was elected a homecoming

Lyn's life in Oregon was lived in Marion County, primarily residing in the Salem-Keizer area. In the late 1960s she formed a strong bond with Margaret who would become a dedicated friend to her. On the evening of Friday, March 2, 1973 Lyn was out with friends in Donald, Oregon when she met Bob Fleming. Entwined since that day, they had a strong connection for the rest of their lives, spending time mostly on holidays, occasional relative functions/visits with a country drive, and frequently time for coffee/





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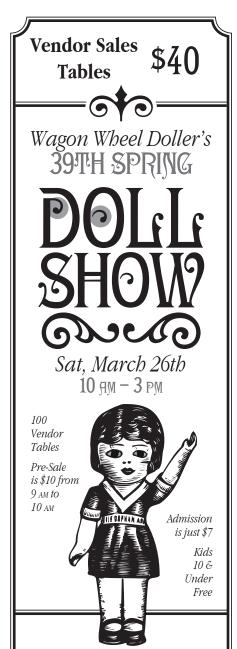
meals—most of all they shared a strong love for their children and grandsons.

Lyn was an amazing cook who cherished hosting weekly Sunday dinners and holidays -she adored her little family and unconditionally loved them as she said "a whole, whole bunch." She also enjoyed socializing including a love for dancing. A dedicated member of the Eagles since 1975 and Elks. She considered herself a "country girl," enjoying the outdoors, especially flowers, walks, hikes and camping. She liked trips to the coast and in her last years really looked forward to annual camp-outs in central Oregon. We are blessed mom passed away with spring now waking up all around us, her favorite season—how fitting, also, that she passed on International Woman's Day.

Mom proudly made her own way through life driven by wanting to live it on her terms. She was private about some things and never wanted to leave her children not even up until her last hours here with us. In her final year she rarely ended a conversation with her children without saying "Never forget me" and "Know I always loved you and will always love you." An independent woman, stoic yet quirky, a free-spirit who accepted nothing less than pulling through anything to continue to live everyday life—not even cancer or dementia could keep her down.

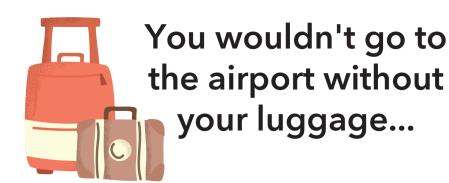
Mom, we will never forget you and look forward to seeing you again. We are thankful you were with us three and a half years after you became ill, as at that time you got sick our dad was not even gone a year—we have made so many good memories. Her mother Marian, dear friend Margaret, soulmate Bob, brothers Tony, Mike and Dan and others have welcomed her to the other side.

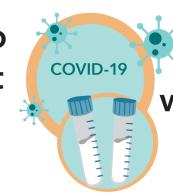
She is survived by her son Brian (Nathan), daughter Melinda, grandsons Everett and Ethaniel, brothers Jim (Laura) and Steven as well as many nieces, nephews and extended family. A private graveside service is planned and a celebration of life at a later date. Arrangements by City View Funeral Home in Salem.



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