



# Marilyn Jean Buchannon

*August 2, 1934 - September 10, 2025*  
Seattle, Washington

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Family and neighbors in Seattle mark the death of Marilyn Jean Buchannon on September 10, 2025. She was 91. Born on August 2, 1934 and raised among Finnish-American manners that never needed a speech. She grew up believing that showing up was the first craft.

She dipped insulators that shelves could trust. An insulator dipper rack tag never left the wall within reach. Colleagues still mention an insulator dipper rack tag.

She and Edward married in 1961 and raised three children without needing an audience. After Edward's death in 2018, she held to quiet habits-coffee before dawn, a tended yard, a voice on the phone that still checked in.

Neighbors remember a rake leaned against a shared fence after a storm. Mornings were her favorite shift at home. She died in Seattle, on streets that already knew her pace. The calendar still has a circle on payday.

What remains is not a legend but a practice: showing up, keeping a promise, leaving a place better than you found it. Her life was the kind America is built from and too often forgets to name.

## Services

A quiet remembrance in Seattle. Those who wish may give to a neighborhood library, food pantry, or workers' aid fund instead of flowers.

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