

# Mary Elizabeth Bower

## 1948-2025

Mary E. Bower died in August, 2025 at St Michael's Medical Center in Silverdale. She was 76 years old.

Mary was a vital member of the Clallam County community and a dedicated civil servant. She served on the Board of Fire Commissioners for Clallam County Fire Protection District No. 4 (Joyce Fire) for more than three decades (1990–2022). As District Secretary, Mary brought an expert level of knowledge to the board and was a steadfast advocate for sound policy and public transparency.

Highly respected for her extensive command of state codes and fire district regulations, Mary played an essential role in shaping the district's administrative excellence. Her team inputs were instrumental in the many awards District 4 received from the Washington Fire Commissioners Association (WFCA) during her tenure.

In addition to her dedicated service to the fire district, Mary also served as a member of the Crescent Community Advisory Council and was active in numerous other civic organizations. Her lifelong commitment to public service as well as a lifelong career at Clallam Transit leaves an enduring legacy in Joyce and throughout Clallam County.

Beyond her many acts of community service, those who knew Mary will perhaps remember her most for her warm, infectious laughter that could light up an entire room.

