



Jon Leslie Gamble

November 10, 1959 - March 27, 2021

Jon Leslie Gamble passed away, suddenly at his home in East Wenatchee on March 27th at the age of 61. John was born on November 10, 1959 in Seattle, Washington. He was the first of three children born to Leslie W. Gamble and Edith Horn Gamble. He attended school in the Broadview area, where his family lived for thirty years, graduating from Ingraham High School in 1979. He furthered his education at Central Washington University, graduating in 1985 with a BS degree in Industrial Distribution Technology. Upon graduating he was hired by Eaton Corporation where he was employed for thirty years, becoming Eaton's Lead Field Sales Engineer for the West Coast.

Jon was engaging, witty and enjoyed life, his family, his work, dabbling in real estate and especially enjoyed his 'brotherhood' of friends which were gathered during his childhood, college and work life. Together they enjoyed boating, water skiing, snowmobiling, fishing and just being together. A camaraderie that has continued through the years. His love of fishing took him to Tahsis, BC, a favorite fishing spot, spending many summers there with friends and clients at his 'fish camp' before his retirement in 2015.

Jon was preceded in death by his father in 2003. Survived by his mother Edith, sisters Jodie, Julie and niece Grace, three aunts and numerous cousins.

He is being mourned by his 'brotherhood' of friends who are now supporting his family. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, Jon's ashes will be put out to sea in Tahsis, BC, at a later date. To share memories of Jon, please sign the online

guest book at www.chapelofthevalleyncw.com

Tribute Wall



“ Dear Edie & family,

The untimely loss of Jon was a sad time for all that knew and loved him. I had known him since college in 1981, which means 40 years of being blessed with Jon as my friend.

*Love and condolences,
Eric and Elizabeth Leaf*

Eric Leaf - August 01, 2022 at 06:53 PM

AA

“ Dear Edie, Jodie and Julie,

I remember moving into our home on 12th in 1967 - 54 years ago! We knew no one in our neighborhood except the Molzahn's who lived behind us. Jon and Mike McGinnely, who live across the street where the first kids I met and we grew up together. Mike moved away in High School and I have lost contact with him. Jon was 3 years younger than me but it didn't matter. He was like a second brother to me. We have so many memories together. I also made other good friends in Richard, John, Mike Huff, Leaf that were only possible through Jon. One of our hi-lights was going to the Super Bowl in 2005. I drove to Cleveland and picked up Jon at the airport. We spent 3 days in Cleveland and drove to Detroit for the game. As Richard and John have mentioned, there were many fishing trips and other get togethers that are such great memories. Jon lived for fishing but also lived for others. He is one of the most generous people I have known and cared so much about his family and friends. He will be missed so much as we all enter our retirement years. Ann and I wish you all well as you face this hard time of loss.

Much Love,

Ann and Dave Amble

A Dave Amble - June 06, 2021 at 02:17 PM

RH

“ Dear Edie and family,

To me Jon was Friendship, Fun, Positive Attitude, Focused and Competitive. What more could you ask for in a friend? We have been truly blessed to have had Jon in our lives. The early years consisted of cruising Lake Washington in his Boston Whaler with a 35 hp at 13 years old. We drank half the water in Lake Washington learning to water ski in that boat! What a hoot! Memories include playing tackle football with neighborhood friends. Jon was so fast and elusive, I had to tackle him After he scored a touchdown.

Jon always had toys and one of the first ones was a Raleigh Super Course bike. He was so proud of that bike that I decided to work and buy one for myself. We had such a great time exploring the neighborhood and beyond on those bikes. When Jon turned 16, he moved onto a Mustang car . . . boy, did that give us freedom or what?! Cruising Colby Avenue in Everett, Camping at Lake Chelan and going to the Hydro races. I have Jon to thank for teaching me how to play Cribbage and I am thankful for recent times spent playing crib on the deck of his Wenatchee home.

What I loved most about Jon was his positive can-do attitude and that no obstacle was ever too big for him to overcome. He thought the world of his family and friends. Thank you Jon for all the years of friendship and wonderful memories.

Your Pal, Richard

Richard Healy - June 02, 2021 at 11:59 PM

JR

“ Ms. Edie, Jodie, Julie

Jon was great friend

I did not have a brother, but I got to be a friend of Jon L Gamble!!!

Our initial connection at Central was hilarious, and the start of so many many good times over the last 40 years

We were drawn together over a love of boats and water skiing (we skied as early as Memorial Day and into September when we were younger!!!)

I lured Jon into Snowmobiling, and he pulled me back into fishing(he hated my stories of salmon fishing when I was in the Coast Guard, said no fishing should be that EASY)

My sons loved camping and boating with Jon

Kids were excited every year to see what boat Jon would show up with for that years trip

My boys also have memories of the Jon L Gamble's epic fishing / crabbing trips to Roche Harbor were much "bonding" occurred among the adults, yet the kids were always safe

It was so awesome that Jon took my sons to Roche a couple of times when my career kept me on the road for work....

So many great memories, Such an early loss that words cant describe...

Jon you were loved by us, and you will be missed by so many

John, Kathy, Derek, Jacob

I've finished life's chores assigned to me,

So put me on a fine fishing boat headed out to sea.

Please send along my fishing pole, for I've been invited to the fishing hole

Where every day is a day to fish, to fill your heart with every wish

*Don't worry, or feel sad for me, I am fishing' with the Master of
Heaven and Seas
We will miss each other for little while
But someday come along and bring a smile
That won't be long you will see, until we're together you and me
To all of those that think of me, Please be happy as I go out to sea
If any others wonder why I'm missing'
Just tell 'em I've gone out Fishing.....*

John Riggs - June 02, 2021 at 12:10 AM

JB

“ So difficult to believe Jon has Passed. My heart goes out to his Mom Edith that I met a couple time in one of those summer fish transfers. To Julie and Jodie i am so sorry that you have lost Big brother.

I worked with Jon as an Electrical construction person. I would send him crazy pictures of gear and we would work together developing Electrical services for all sorts of Buildings. He always could take my crazy ideas and come up with a solution. Jon invited me to Tahsis in year 2000. I remember the first time with Rob Whitehead and Steve Marvich. In those days it was all about stopping at Pin Rock then off to Ferrer . Typically we got it done quick. Then we would pull the prawn traps before going back in. This is when he would throw Ben in the water and go for the next prawn trap. Ben would happily swim back to the boat. it was the damndest thing. Back to the place we rented , cleaned fish drank scotch etc... The mill finally closed down and Jon got the opportunity to buy fish camp, The H Hut . he was so excited to have a place where all his friends could fish and hang out..... It was always so fun to drive into town after the long drive and see Jon sitting on the porch with friends.

I am so blessed to have been a part of his life for that short time. I really miss him. I hope that Ferrer is considered as his resting place. I will do whatever i can to assist in that adventure. Either way I will always remember Jon when I do Ferrer . XO, Jon Baker

Jon Baker - May 27, 2021 at 05:39 PM

MC

“ I will never forget the amazing times spent with Jon and his friends east of the mountains in Washington. Jon was my God father, but also an excellent role model in my youth. My sister Kirsten and my dad Mark would always attend Jon's many camps where we spent the days riding in his many boats and spending time water skiing and tubing! I am particularly thankful for Jon in many ways, though none over shadow his ability to bring many different people together. I made many friends accompanied by Jon and his crew along the way to adulthood. Sadly during my undergraduate time in college I briefly lost contact with Jon. I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing and wish my deepest condolences to the family. I was never lucky enough to fish with Jon in Tahsis, though in my youth we did spend time in Roche Harbor fishing for salmon. I will never forget the amazing impact Jon brought to my youth. I will always think of Jon whenever I have a line in the water.
My deepest condolences,
Matt Cornwall

Matt Cornwall - May 25, 2021 at 11:19 PM