



Kathleen Roseburg

March 24, 1947 - July 11, 2011

Kathleen "Kathy" Roseburg, 64, of East Wenatchee, died on Monday, July 11, 2011, in Louisville, KY from complications of Leukemia. Kathy was born March 24, 1947, in Wenatchee to Hugh and Beryl Kirkpatrick as the youngest of three children. She spent her childhood in Cashmere before moving to Wenatchee, where she graduated in 1965. She went on to attend Wenatchee Valley College, Western Washington University and Central Washington University, where she earned her degree in English in 1971. She met Jerry Roseburg the same year and they later married on April 15, 1972, in Cashmere. They raised their family of five children in East Wenatchee. Kathleen eventually returned to school at Central Washington University to earn her teaching credentials and then went on to earn a master's degree at Heritage University. She has been a first and second grade teacher at Grant Elementary School in East Wenatchee for the past 21 years. Kathy enjoyed people, and she enjoyed her career as a teacher because of the many people she got to work with. The parents, coworkers and students were a part of her family, and her dedication to them showed in the caring and compassion she put into her teaching, as well as her devotion to the education of her students. Not only an accomplished teacher, Kathy was a beloved wife, mother, daughter, sister, and friend. She valued family and loved ones above all else, and considered many people her family. Always enjoying spending time with her children and traveling, she and her husband frequently made trips to visit each of their children in different parts of the country. Kathy enjoyed reading,

gardening, and making her home a welcoming place for friends and family to gather together.

She is survived by her husband, Jerry Roseburg of East Wenatchee; as well as her five children and their spouses, Chad and Valentina Roseburg of Quincy, Sean and Kelly Roseburg of San Diego, CA, Robert Roseburg of Guang Zhou, China, Alison and Christopher McClaine of Yakima and Karinne and Michael Perrone of Provo, UT. She is also survived by her grandchildren, Zhorik, Efrem, Lucien, Yevnika and Lev of Quincy, Ashley and Declan of San Diego, CA and Benjamin of Provo, UT. In addition, Kathy is also survived by her mother, Beryl Kirkpatrick of East Wenatchee; her mother-in-law, Enid Roseburg of Ellensburg; as well as her two older siblings and their spouses, Terry and Barbara Kirkpatrick of Sumner, WA and Judy and Darrell Thayer of Medford, OR. She was preceded by her father, Hugh Kirkpatrick.

Services will be held at 1:00 p.m. Thursday, August 11, 2011, at the Lower Shelter at Rocky Reach Dam. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Kathleen Roseburg Memorial Fund at the Seattle Cancer Care Alliance.

Tribute Wall

BB

“ Kathy you were the big sister we Bossen kids never had. All of us younger cousins recall how you always got stuck "entertaining us. Read as "babysitting"! At every family gathering, reunion, party and event, there you were, ready to take charge. And take charge you did!

We loved having you as our "Big Sis". We learned early on, and passed it along to those younger cousins to follow, that you were really sweet but carried a big stick! Corralling the Bossen clan was an endless task and you took it on like everything else...with a glad heart and some good rules and consequences. As I look back today in your honor, I see a strong strain of the Bossen DNA with rules, rules, rules and lots of love to boot!

In the later years, as young marrieds, Karen and I loved you from afar. We loved the examples you provided on child-rearing and family focus. We always looked forward to the annual Christmas card and stood in awe at the growing family and the sustained ability to continue to send cards every year with letters included!

As with everything you did in life you tackled it with glee and although we may be feeling the loss at present we rest assured that you have you have a birds-eye-view on us all from that glorious vantage in Heaven.

May God bless you and may you rest in peace in His abiding love.

Love,
Brad and Karen Bossen, and family.

Brad Bossen - August 15, 2011 at 01:45 PM

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“ Jerry and family,
My heart goes out to all of you! Kathy will truly be missed by all of us that were blessed to know her and be a part of her life. She was such a beautiful soul and full of grace and kindness for everyone. I will cherish my memories of our time spent at the Brethren Baptist Church as our kids were growing up, and especially of our "ladies support group" with Gail, Kim Metcalf, myself and others from the church. Kathy helped me through some difficult times during my divorce, and we also spent many wonderful hours laughing and sharing the "good times"! I wanted to talk to all of you after the beautiful memorial service, but I had to leave to get to work. I will keep you all in my prayers and you have been in my thoughts everyday! I hope you can all find some peace and comfort from each other and from knowing how loved your wife & mom truly was!
Hugs and much love~ Kim Barnes

Kim Barnes - August 14, 2011 at 03:49 AM

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“ Jerry and Family -
I am so very sorry for your loss. Kathy is and always will be a shining light. She was always so kind to me. I remember babysitting for the boys and being neighbors and then I grew up and moved away. Every visit home I loved standing outside and talking about all her new adventures. I loved the Christmas letters with all the pictures...this was my way of staying in touch. I know she will be missed more than words can express. My prayers are with you.
Love Michelle Torgerson (Shrader)

Michelle Torgerson - August 12, 2011 at 12:01 PM