



Leslie Ann Martin

April 30, 1957 - October 27, 2018

Leslie Ann Martin lived her life with a childlike charm and deep love for those around her. On October 27, 2018, at the age of 61, she left us too soon. The youngest of three children, she was born on April 30, 1957, in Aberdeen, SD, to Ileen Taylor and the late John B. Taylor. She moved with her family to Wenatchee, WA, in 1960, where her parents purchased and operated Barnhart Music, fueling her lifelong passion for music. Leslie was a bubbly, vivacious young girl who graduated from Wenatchee High School in 1975, and then went on to Western State University in Bellingham, WA. In 1979, she married Ambro Martin and together they had a son, Philip Ryan Martin, who was at her side in her final days until her last breath. While Leslie may have struggled with her health for a greater part of her life, it did not dampen her bright smile, sense of goofy humor, nor warm spirit. She was a phenomenal poet and was passionate about singing, known for walking her apartment's hallways in song. She was also an avid collector of jewelry, porcelain, and dolls. Anything with sparkles caught her eye. Leslie was truly a child at heart through-and-through and touched many a soul with genuine heartfelt affection.

Her artistic talent was passed down to her only son, Philip (Pauline) Martin, whose three grandchildren will miss her more profoundly than she ever could have imagined. She is also survived by her mother, Ileen Taylor-Johnston; brothers: Roger (April) Taylor, and Brian Taylor; niece, Pamela Koene (Taylor)

along with her three children; niece, Kelli Taylor; and nephew, Jonathan Taylor. Lastly, her lifelong friend of 57 years, Kathy Bender.

She has lived and loved, danced and cried, and she will be remembered for the beautiful person she was inside and out. Her laughter will be dearly missed by surviving family, friends, and neighbors at her 28-year home of Garden Terrace. Thank you, Leslie, for the hearts you touched.

A Family Memorial will be held in April of 2019 at Evergreen Memorial Park in East Wenatchee, WA. Arrangements assisted by Chapel of the Valley, Wenatchee, WA.