



## Terry Parks

October 28, 1940 - February 18, 2023

Terry Victor “TV” Parks, age 82 of Wenatchee, lived life to the fullest until his passing on February 18, 2023.

Terry was born October 28, 1940 in Wenatchee, WA to Charles and June (Segle) Parks. He was a proud graduate of Eastmont High School, Class of '59, regularly attending reunions and staying close with life-long friends.

Anyone who knew him could instantly see that Terry was a dreamer, always having his sights set on the next project with a constant love of learning. He was extremely proud of how much he had overcome and accomplished in his lifetime.

Terry attended various colleges over the years, graduating from the University of Washington with a Geology degree and even attending Big Bend Community College into his late 70's, working toward his flight mechanic's license. Never one to sit still, he had a variety of careers, businesses and odd-jobs, and worked well past retirement age. Terry was most known for being a commercial fisherman in Bristol Bay, AK and owning the Riverfront Skate Shop in Wenatchee. He also worked in the oil fields, at various ski resorts including White Pass, he fell timber, owned an espresso cart, laid flooring, drove truck, and picked fruit throughout the valley all his life. Terry had many passions including a love of travel, skiing, hiking, flying, and working on his beloved home in Stehekin. He spent many wonderful years traveling with his daughter, Teka, picking fruit in New Zealand, touring the US in a motorhome, skiing in Europe, flying back and forth to Stehekin, and taking road trips to

figure skating competitions and hockey tournaments.

Terry leaves behind many family and friends who will miss his stories and friendship. Daughter, Karteka "Teka" Sellers (Parks) and her family, Tyler Sellers, granddaughters Brighton and Maren; his daughter, Kelly Allen, son Kevin Allen, and grandson James Allen; mothers to his children, Geni Allen and Evelyn Davies; brothers David and Tommy, sister Cheryl, his sibling's families, and his close cousins and friends. He is preceded in death by two siblings, Vicki and Ron. He will be greatly missed by all who had a part in making his life extraordinary.

A private celebration with family and friends will be held on Saturday, May 6 in East Wenatchee. If you would like to reach Teka, please email [kartekasellers@gmail.com](mailto:kartekasellers@gmail.com) or call 360-927-5930.

Arrangements by Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

# Tribute Wall

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“ I was fortunate to enjoy a lifelong friendship with Terry Parks. We met as next door neighbors when we were four years old and later lived a couple of blocks from each other in East Wenatchee. I have many pleasant memories of our lifelong friendship which included backpacking, fishing and working together.. As a backpacker he had amazing strength and stamina. Looking at old pictures I found one of Terry holding a fish that had won him the bet of who would catch the biggest fish that day. He jokingly wanted to document his winner which was a five inch rainbow. As a coworker I admired his many abilities including an awesome sense of dependability. He worked in Seattle and went home to Wenatchee on weekends. Monday mornings he made the commute to Seattle which included traveling the passes in winter. In about five years he did this without being late once. It inspired awe in everyone around him. Terry lived an amazing and interesting life. Friends will miss his smile and cheerful attitude. He will be mourned by many.

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**Bill Bull** - March 06, 2023 at 02:22 PM

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“ Dear Teka and Family, I first met Terry at Tilly Equipment when he purchased a new Stihl Chainsaw. Through the years we had a variety of experiences: a weekend at Stehekin; flying in his plane to Penticton; campaigning for my elections; Terry was a loyal friend and always enthusiastic.

Sincerely,

Earl Tilly

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**Earl Tilly** - March 06, 2023 at 01:15 PM

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“ I became a part of the life of Terry Parks in 1959 and I was blessed to have had the gift of walking the final journey with him. He shared life stories, adventures, regrets and we laughed a lot. Teka and I got a kick out of his “ diabolic” laugh.

Terry’s legacy is one that I hope to enjoy for many years to come.....the children. Teka and Tyler, Kevin, Kelly and those gorgeous granddaughters Brighton and Maren.

*Geni*

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**Geni Allen** - February 28, 2023 at 11:50 AM