



Wes Rutherford

April 5, 1948 - October 21, 2023

William Wesley Rutherford was born to Guy and Elizabeth Rutherford in Wenatchee Washington April 5th, 1948, at St. Anthony's hospital. They lived at Beebe Washington while Wes attended grade school in Orondo. Later he would attend Chelan middle school and high school until the 11th grade when he and his mother moved to Wenatchee after the death of his father. This is also where he would meet Barbara Wilson – his high school sweetheart.

He graduated in 1966 from Wenatchee High School, and started work for ALCOA in 1967. He and Barbara were married September 1st, 1967 and he continued to work for ALCOA for 33 years, retiring in 2000.

During his and Barb's early years together they had two children, William Guy Rutherford, Jan 18th 1972 (Carrie) – and Roberta (Bobbi) Lynn Lewis (Rutherford) May 13th, 1973 (Daniel). He and his son were avid hunters.

Wes retired from ALCOA and worked with his nephew Mike Henkins of Coeur d Alene Idaho between three and four years before going to work driving LINK Transit all over Chelan Co. His favorite routes were between Lake Chelan and Leavenworth. After driving for LINK Transit for 10 years, he finally fully retired.

In his retirement years he and Barb traveled visiting his kids, 7 grandkids: – Apryl Yearout, Beth Burt (Raymond III,) Misty Sanchez (Gonzalo), Karissa

Wade (Micheal), Guy Rutherford (Holly), Taylor Lewis (Charlene), and Joshua Lewis; and 10 great grandkids: Katrina Yearout, Darnellia Yearout, Avery Burt, Raymond Burt IV, Lainey Sanches, Ari Sanches (baby Sanches has yet to make an appearance but will soon), Eden Rutherford, Wesley Rutherford, Collin Wade, Theodore Wade. He hunted with his son, daughter & son-in-law every chance he got – and his last few years, his friend Darrell Simpson. He was preceded in death by his Father, Mother, and Sister Betty Tucker (Clarence), Lona Henkins – brother-in-law. He is survived by his wife, sister Heady Hankins, his children, grandchildren, and great grandchildren, brother-in-law Paul (Marie) Wilson, sister-in-law Mary (Burke) Crossley, and all of his nephews and nieces.

Wes passed away October 21st 2023 at Central Washington Hospital peacefully in his sleep after a long battle with Parkinsons complicated by COVID.

The family would ask that any memorials be made to Chelan County Salon, 246 c/o Pam Barry, PO Box 1851, Wenatchee, WA 98807. Arrangements by Chapel of the Valley, East Wenatchee.

A Memorial Service will be held Friday, October 27, 1:00pm at Chapel of the Valley, 378 Eastmont Ave., East Wenatchee.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

OCT **27**. 1:00 PM (PT)

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Good man, always smiling. You will be missed Wes.

Carol and Dan Straight - October 29, 2023 at 01:21 PM