



Deb L. Bilyeu

September 15, 1953 - December 29, 2014

On September 15, 1953, Debra Lynn Morton was born to Leonard and Joyce Morton in Chelan, WA. She was raised in Chelan and graduated from Chelan High School in 1971. She attended Kinman Business School in Spokane and began working at the Bureau of Reclamation in Manson in 1973. In 1976, she began working at the United States Forest Service at the Chelan office as the clerk stenographer and worked there until she retired in 1998.

In 1985, Deb married her husband, Jim Bilyeu, of Bakersfield, CA and they had one daughter, Casi, the following year. She enjoyed her retirement and being able to focus on raising her daughter.

She had the opportunity to work alongside her dear friend, Jim Rogers, at JR's Bar & Grill, from 2002-2005. She worked for Emerald Downs at that location.

In January 2014, she suffered a massive stroke after the passing of her friend JR. She made a remarkable recovery and truly enjoyed life for the last 11 months. On Christmas Eve, she was diagnosed with extensive cancer and passed away peaceful on December 29th, at Lake Chelan Community Hospital, with her daughter and a few close friends at her side.

Deb was preceded in death by her parents, her husband, Jim, and two of her dear friends, Jim Rogers and Mallory Machus.

She is survived by her daughter, Casi Bilyeu, of Chelan, her friend/sister, Kathy Hart, of Chelan, many cousins, nieces, nephews, friends and her two dogs, Bailey and Bella, all of which will miss her deeply.

There will be a graveside service at the Fraternal Cemetery in Chelan on

Saturday January 10, 2015 at 11 AM. A reception will follow at the Acacia Event Center, located at 319 N. Sanders St. in Chelan. Arrangements are under the care of Precht Rose Chapel, with Pastor Graham Monteleone of Real Life Lake Chelan officiating her service. A viewing will be held at Precht Rose Chapel on Friday, January 9th from 2-6 PM and is open to the public. Per Deb's request, in lieu of flowers, donations can be made in her name to Lake Chelan Community Hospital or Real Life Lake Chelan.

The family wishes to express their deepest appreciation to Dr. Tobe Harberd and Dr. Keri Bergeson, as well as all of the nursing staff at Lake Chelan Community Hospital for their compassion and wonderful care they gave to Deb and her family.

"My chains are gone. I've been set free. My God my Savior has ransomed me. And like a flood, His mercy reigns. Unending love. Amazing Grace."

Cemetery Details

Chelan Fraternal Cemetery

815 N. Bradley St.
Chelan, WA 98816

Previous Events

Service

JAN 10. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Tribute Wall



“ *Deb L. Bilyeu*

January 29, 2023 at 08:49 AM



“ *I met Deb at JR's shortly after Travis and I started dating. What a fun time we always had, both there and wherever we would meet. Many nights of playing pool and sharing stories. While our hearts are broken for our loss of Deb, and Casi's loss of her mom, we are also joyful in the fact that she is no longer hurting and watching over us all. Casi is blessed to have two angels with her all the time and guiding her through her travels. We will also be here to support her however and wherever we can. Love and hugs!!!*



Melissa Sweeney - January 10, 2015 at 11:12 AM



“ *RIP Debbie.. "You will know me when we meet again..." So glad I met you at JR's and Casi she was so proud of you. Take care and God bless...*

Mary Pederson - January 09, 2015 at 10:31 PM

SW

“ We also met DEB at JR'S. We became fast friends and enjoyed working on a couple parties together. Fun times! Casi, DEB was so proud of you. You were the light of her life. May she rest in peace. Our loving thoughts are with you Casi. LOVE,
Greg and Shelley Wenbourne



Shelley Wenbourne - January 09, 2015 at 07:43 PM



“ BeBe Swanson lit a candle in memory of Deb L. Bilyeu



BeBe Swanson - January 09, 2015 at 12:50 PM

RB

“ Oh Casi I'm so sorry. I'll be thinking of you. Your mama was one of the best.

Rachel Buchanan - January 03, 2015 at 03:14 AM

RC

“ Rest in Peace Deb! Big hugs to you Casi, you are in my prayers.



Rinita Cook - January 01, 2015 at 09:45 AM



“ Ron and I first met Debbie and Jim when we lived across the alley from them. We lived on Nixon ans they lived on Chelan st. Casi was just a little girl then. Time went by, we moved to our current location and then JR's happened. Halloween, super bowl, happy hours, and of course the ROUND TABLE. Such happy memories. She raised such a beautiful, courageous and kind daughter in Casi. Many blessings to you Casi. Much love. Ron and Mary. :))

Mary Molina - December 31, 2014 at 11:52 PM



“ Deb was a an amazing person and she will be missed so much. May her light shine in us all forever. Till we meet again. Love you



Misty Waugh - December 31, 2014 at 10:10 PM

KR

“ Wonderful times at the "man cave"...playing pool and enjoying many delicious meals and drinks. Thank you so much for those amazing times!!!!
I will miss your warm kind words and HUGE heart!!!!
Love, Your "son" ;)
Kris



Kris - December 31, 2014 at 09:31 PM



I held it together until I read that you signed it son:)

Casi Bilyeu - January 01, 2015 at 06:55 AM

LI

“ *Linda lit a candle in memory of Deb L. Bilyeu*



Linda - December 31, 2014 at 08:24 PM

JR

“ *Funny and sweet lady. She will be missed.*



Jerri I Rasmussen - December 31, 2014 at 07:58 PM

TA

“ *Teresa (Morton) Archschan lit a candle in memory of Deb L. Bilyeu*



Teresa (Morton) Archschan - December 31, 2014 at 07:45 PM

TA

R.I.P. my dear cousin

Teresa (Morton) Archschan - December 31, 2014 at 07:47 PM

SW

“ I met Debbie at JR's. I knew when I met her that she was my kinda girl, she was so funny and loving. some of the most fun I have ever had was when she and I played the horse races at JR's. fun fun fun!! she always got into the spirit of things and had the best haloween costumes, Jimmy always had us be the judges for the best costume. when Lilly was little I would take her to the pool at the Grandview almost every day and Debbie would come down and hang out with me sometimes. one day we were talking about fried chicken (don't know why but we were lol) and I said I really don't know how to make good fried chicken, she said I make really good fried chicken, you should come over for dinner. so I did and she was right, she makes AWESOME fried chicken. Debbie was so proud of Casi, she talked about her to me all the time when Casi was taking her nursing classes and how well she was doing... those two teased each other all the time.... everybody is going to miss you Debbie..... RIP love you xxooooo

sue walcker - December 31, 2014 at 07:21 PM

BB

Debi and Jim were our neighbors for the 13 years we lived in Chelan. Eddie loved spending time at their home and eating dinner with them. Eddie so loved jim and Debi and of course Casi. Rest in peace Debi until we meet again. Beth and Ed Bush and Eddie

beth bush - January 01, 2015 at 05:03 PM

CB

*I've had the pleasure of being Jim & Debs friend since I became there babysitter for Casi when she was just 18 months old , they were such wonderful parents & always the kindest & nicest to be around , they did a beautiful job raising Casi,
Rest in Eternal Peace my dear friend , you will be greatly missed .may Gods peace help Casi through this overwhelming sadness , Amen*

Connie Barham - January 02, 2015 at 12:14 AM