



Billy Charles LaRue

March 4, 1949 - October 29, 2025

Billy C. La Rue

1949-2025

Billy C. La Rue, 76 passed away on October 29, 2025, in Vancouver, Washington. Born on March 4, 1949, in La Mesa, California, Billy lived a life marked by dedication to his family, his work, and the things he loved most. Billy spent nearly five decades working at the Georgia Pacific paper mill in Camas, Washington. Over the course of 47 years until his retirement in 2014, he became a steadfast presence at the mill-his commitment and work ethic leaving a lasting impression on those who worked alongside him.

He was a man of deep devotion-to his faith, to his family, and to the simple joys that brought him happiness.

Billy shared 51 loving years of marriage with his wife Delrain La Rue. Together they built a life filled with love and laughter. He was a proud father to two sons: Nathan La Rue (Kristine Bingaman) and Bryce La Rue (Matthew King), and a cherished grandfather to Rainy Bertrand and Sophie La Rue.

Billy's family circle extended far beyond his immediate household. He is also remembered by his brother Tom Huson (Hannah); sisters Lois Bass, Darlene Morris (Garry), Louise Bigsby, Diane Burk (Larry), and Dawn La Rue Claros; as well as his brothers-in-law Mark Waters and Dean Garnett. His legacy continues through numerous nieces and nephews and great-nieces and nephews who knew him as a kind-hearted presence in their lives.

He was preceded in death by his parents Louis and Marvel La Rue; sisters Kathy Nash and Bethany Waters; brothers-in-law Norman Nash, and Vern Bigsby.

Outside of work and family life, Billy found joy in music-especially the sounds of Pink Floyd! He embraced adventure through white water rafting trips. He enjoyed golfing and treasured camping excursions with loved ones. These moments reflected his appreciation for nature's beauty, and the bonds formed around campfires under open skies.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

Billy C. La Rue will be remembered for his kindness, unwavering devotion to those he loved, and the quiet strength with which he lived each day. May his memory bring comfort to all who knew him.

Tribute Wall

LB

“ When I was 14, my new brother Billy came into my life. He was very quiet and so cute with his tossed hair. I had 6 sisters so it was happy for me to have a little brother to love. He was four and was so cute. I married at 18 so I did not see family until I had boys of my own. Then I would come up to see Mom and family. What a great time we had when Mom would have everyone over. I miss my little brother but I know I will see him in heaven and we all will be united once again.

Lois Bass - November 28, 2025 at 12:47 PM

DB

“ Billy and I were quite close growing up. I don't ever remember him saying anything unkind to me. He was funny, sensitive and very tenderhearted. We had so many adventures together as children. I smile and cringe as I play them over in my mind. We definitely had a guardian angel watching over us. I miss him and hold him close to my heart. Sleep well Billy.

Diane Burk - November 21, 2025 at 01:59 PM

BR

“ Bryce La Rue lit a candle in memory of Billy LaRue



Bryce La Rue - November 16, 2025 at 10:46 PM

MK

“ My father-in-law was one of a kind. I will remember the many fun times we all shared together over the last 20 years. Kind, caring, gentle, loving, soft spoken, devotion to family and friends are just a few words to describe my Dad and that dry sense of humor ❤️. You are so missed by all that new you. Love you so much. We will take care of Mom and each other until we are together again. Love you so much, Matthew

Matthew M King - November 15, 2025 at 04:00 AM

BG

“ Billy will be remembered for his laughter and fun attitude. He is our cousin and nephew. We are so sorry for your loss DelRain. Prayers for peace moving forward. Love to all of you 💙🙏
Beautiful Obituary DelRain.

Barbara & Cathy Gunsch - November 14, 2025 at 07:50 PM

HD

“ I have so many memories of uncle Bill and he was my chosen uncle. He was quietly quick witted if you didn't pay attention you would miss his little bits of wisdom which were precious and stick with me. I think of him every time I hear Dark Side of The Moon.

Hollie Demarais - November 14, 2025 at 04:15 PM