



## Danette Marie Leisle

March 2, 1945 - February 18, 2024

Danette passed away February 18, 2024, at the age of 78 after a courageous journey with cancer, surrounded by loved ones who will continue to honor her legacy.

She was born in Ritzville, Washington March 2, 1945. Danette graduated from the University of Idaho with a teaching and music degree. She married her high school sweetheart, Michael Leisle June 11, 1967. She then went on to a full career of teaching, including obtaining a Master Degree of Education from Washington State University.

Educating students to read was Danette's passion. She inspired countless elementary students and influenced teachers to develop their reading methods. She co-led the Young Authors Conference for several years.

Danette was instrumental in launching many music programs at St. Andrew Lutheran Church. She truly loved playing the violin, the hammered dulcimer, and singing in various musical groups.

In retirement, she enjoyed ever evolving arts and crafts projects to include card-making, cross-stitch, needle felting, sewing, and award-winning crayon drawing.

Danette was universally loved by students, colleagues, family and friends. We all loved her for her ability to listen and living her authentic self. Independent, and highly motivated, she embraced challenge and change, inspiring those around her.

Danette is survived by her husband, Michael Leisle; two daughters Michelle

Brown and Stephanie Leisle and their spouses Jef and Danielle; her brother Wally Allert and sister Raelene Long and their spouses Bonnie and Larry.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *As you grieve know that we are remembering you...*



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**Kristen and Charlie** - April 17, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Danette Marie Leisle*

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**Anonymous** - March 08, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *You will always be remembered in my heart as the neighbor I could always count on. Always had an encouraging word, always understood. You will be remembered in my heart and in my memories as a good Christian friend I could always count on. Love in Christ, Jen*

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**Jennifer Jefferis** - March 04, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory*

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**A Memorial Tree was planted for Danette Marie Leisle** - February 20, 2024 at 12:00 AM