



## Debbie Kay Suksdorf

May 20, 1958 - May 7, 2016

DEBBIE KAY (WADE) SUKSDORF May 20, 1958 ~ May 7, 2016 Debbie Kay (Wade)Suksdorf, 57, passed away in Vancouver, WA on May 7, 2016. She was born on May 20, 1956 in Tacoma, WA to her parents, Alice (Toby Driggers) and Clifford Wade. At 12 years old, Debbie was welcomed into the loving home of her uncle and aunt, John and Kay Goodwin of Centralia, WA and her cousins, Nan, Marianne and Leo. Debbie attended Centralia High School in Centralia, WA (Class of 1976) and thoroughly enjoyed her high school years with some wonderful friends. During those years, she met her life-long friend, Linda Arrasmith, who introduced her to her brother, Rick Suksdorf, who somehow convinced Debbie to marry him in 1977. Debbie and Rick then continued their college years in San Luis Obispo, CA. Debbie was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis in 1978 and battled many symptoms throughout her life; she has been an amazing inspiration to her family and friends. Debbie and Rick settled in Vancouver, WA in 1979 where they raised their three sons: Erick, Rob and Kelly. Above all, Debbie loved being a mom and a grandma. She loved nothing more than cheering on her sons at football, baseball, basketball, soccer games and wrestling matches; the sports families were wonderful and she appreciated all of their kindness. Debbie was able to enjoy the marriage of Erick and Katie, the birth of grandchildren, Adalina and Leland, the marriage of Rob and Mercedes, the birth of grandson, Gage, Kelly's decision to return to school to become a teacher and hours and hours of special family time. Debbie will be missed terribly, but will be in our hearts

forever. Debbie is survived by her three sons, her three grandchildren, her sister-in-law, Linda; niece, Monica Donohue; nephew, Derrick McKinney; and many loving cousins. At Debbie's request, a 'casual blue jean' memorial service will be held at Evergreen Memorial Gardens, 1101 NE 112th Ave., Vancouver, WA on May 12, 2016 at 10:00 a.m. In lieu of flowers, donations may be directed to the National MS Society.

# Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 09:24 PM

FB

“ Long ago Rick told me that he and Deb would just have to play the cards that they were dealt. No hand could have been better played.

*Sherrie and I are grateful to have known such a special person.*

Forrest Bush - May 22, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MD

“ Your memory will always shine bright! I hope you're doing A LOT of dancing in your blue jeans. Thanks for being the best aunt. Love ya lots.

Monica Donohue - May 18, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RC

“ Erik,  
I'm so sorry to see this. Unfortunately, I check the obits often because of my job, and it's never easy seeing someone you know (knew). I'm sorry for your loss. I have FANTASTIC memories of get-togethers at your home while we were younger. Thinking of you, your dad and brothers. xoxo  
Rachel (Dalke) Carpenter

Rachel Carpenter - May 17, 2016 at 12:00 AM

CB

“ *The best surrogate Aunt a big mouth kid could ever ask for! Thank you for your funny laugh, your back bone, stern corrections, and loving heart.*

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**Chrissy Boltz** - May 13, 2016 at 12:00 AM



“ *Rest in peace, I hope you are dancing with the Angels! I'm so sorry for your families loss. Eric you went to school with Heather Richardson and I'm her mom and still work there. From the Richardson family*

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May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JJ

“ *Mama Suksdorf was one of a kind. I was fortunate enough to spend my youth around Debbie and the family and I am certainly a better person for it. She was a loving mother and persistent optimist. She loved her family and her pup Chewy (even though he tried to bite me whenever I got near her in her rocker). God bless you Debbie, you touched more souls than you could ever know. Rest easy now and never stop "swinging back".*

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**Jason Joyce** - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

WM

“ *You have been through so much for so long, God says it's time to come home. You will be missed Deb by all in the family. Mary and Werner May and family.*

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**Werner & Mary May** - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

VL

“ I remember spending good times with Debbie. I hadn't seen you for many years but thought of over the years. You will be missed by many. RIP.

Vicki LeDuc - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KR

“ I love you my buddy since age 4!!!! You've won one long battle!!!! Hug my hubby for me and fly free till I get there to join the party!!!! Love to you all! Hugs and prayers. xoxox <3

Karen Reynolds - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JM

“ Debbie, my friend. So many sweet memories. Love and many blessings to the whole family.

Jody Miller - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

EP

“ Debbie and my sister mary may were dear friends. She also passed away at the young age of 57. I have great memories of both of them my sympathy to all

Ellen Parypa - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LS

“ I feel so lucky to have met Deb and laughed through conversations with her. You could see her happiness just being outside with her family in the warm sun. She touched my life in the short time I knew her. Watching the love she had with Rick and her sons was incredible to watch. Sending the family many loving thoughts.

Lauren Schneider - May 12, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RS

“ *I love you Deb. Thank you for all of our time together and the three most wonderful sons on earth.* ”

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**Rick Suksdorf** - May 11, 2016 at 12:00 AM