



Gordon Arthur Mason

February 6, 1939 - July 26, 2024

Obituary for Gordon Arthur Mason

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our beloved father, Gordon Arthur Mason, who peacefully slipped away the morning of Friday, July 26th, 2024, due to complications from Parkinson's Disease. In his final days he was surrounded by friends and family. We are heartbroken to lose him. Gordon was born in Centralia, Washington on February 6th, 1939, the first child of father Ray Mason and mother Lucille Aubrey. In 1950, Gordon moved to Camas, Washington with his father and sister, graduating from Camas High School and later San Diego State University with a Bachelor of Arts degree. In high school he met Margo Beth Moyer, the first love of his life, who were later married on June 15, 1963. Together they had two children, Jeffrey Raymond and Andrew Curtis Mason. They settled in Vancouver, Washington to raise a family, until Margo's untimely death October 2nd, 1979. Gordon relocated his family to Camas shortly thereafter, where his sons attended and graduated from his alma mater, Camas High School. In 1987, Gordon met what would be his second love, Karen S Fox. They dated and grew together, and later married September 19, 1992. Gordon loved Karen and her two children, Colleen Fox and Laura Fox-Merrell, with all his heart. He always strived to make the combined family a happy and loving home where all were welcome, especially for a game of Scrabble or later Mexican Train (dominos). In his career, Gordon was a banker, a successful Real Estate agent and Broker, a home builder and businessman, and finished his working career in what he

would consider his most meaningful work as a drug and alcohol counselor. He was proud to have built the home he and Karen would spend the rest of their life together with his own two hands. Gordon's passions were the outdoors and travel. He loved fishing and hunting, and could gladly spend hours on a stream bank, boat, or mountain side to get the next "big one". In his younger years, he enjoyed off-road biking with his boys and motorcycles, traveling across the western states to see the world from this unique perspective. In later years, Gordon and Karen enjoyed many trips up and down the west coast to visit friends and family or observe the natural beauty found in many state parks, especially in Utah, Arizona, and New Mexico. Gordon is survived by his Wife, Karen Fox of Vancouver, WA; Son Jeffrey Mason of Vancouver, WA; Son Andrew Mason of Camas, WA; Stepdaughter Colleen Fox of Coupeville, WA; Stepdaughter Laura Fox-Merrell of Enumclaw, WA; Grandsons Kellen and Sawyer Mason, Joseph and Brandon Mason, and Eli Merrell; Granddaughters Audrey Mason, Hannah Bush and Sophia Merrell, and Great Granddaughter Norah Bush. He was preceded in death by his sister Sharon (Mason) Smith.

Join us in celebrating Gordon's life Wednesday, August 28, 4P at the Lacamas Lake Lodge, 227 NE Lake Rd in Camas, WA. In lieu of flowers, please consider making a donation in Gordon's name to his favorite charity, the Portland Rescue Mission. (<https://portlandrescuemission.org/> home or Donate here).

Tribute Wall

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“ We have known Gordon for thirty-seven years and in all that time have never observed him to be anything other than a kind, caring, thoughtful, generous, and helpful individual. He embodied all the best of what we hope for in humanity. We looked on Gordon as one of our closest friends. We loved Gordon and will miss dearly.

Jan and Judy Baldwin - August 27, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ My memory of Gordon comes through his relationship with Karen, the Matron of Honor at the wedding June 8, 1963 of her dear friend Barbara Dean of Olympia. We were able to keep in contact over the years. Barbara passed March 25, 2018. As Karen did I found a new love to see out our sunset. It is a reality of our age, but sorry Karen for your loss.

Doug and Jan Twibell - August 06, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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“ A living memorial to a wonderful man! With love, Sandy Hattan

Anonymous - August 02, 2024 at 12:00 AM

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

A Memorial Tree was planted for Gordon A. Mason - July 30, 2024 at 12:00 AM