



Ingrid 'Celeste' Carlson

October 15, 1957 - September 11, 2009

Our beautiful daughter, Celeste, passed away on September 11, 2009 from extreme alcoholism at age 51. She was born in Spokane, WA on October 15, 1957 and moved with her family to Vancouver, WA in June 1968. She graduated from Fort Vancouver High School in June 1976 and attended Business College in Portland, OR completing computer science courses. Celeste obtained her Real Estate license in Washington and was the bookkeeper at Evergreen Memorial Gardens for 20 years. She loved all animals, and had a special place in her heart for those that had been abused or neglected. Celeste loved boating on the Columbia River and the activities of the Power Squadron. She always had horses and enjoyed trail riding and teaching others how to ride. She is survived by her parents, Willard J. and Norma C. Carlson of Vancouver, WA; two brothers, Bradley (Mary) Carlson and Jon Kelly (Leslie) Carlson; one nephew, Brian (Summer) Carlson; four nieces, Lindsay (P.J.) Fisher, Megan Carlson, Laura Carlson, Emily Carlson; and one great-nephew, Jack Fisher. Public viewing will be held Wed., Sept. 16, 2009, 5:00-9:00 p.m. and Thurs., Sept. 17, 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m. at Evergreen Memorial Gardens. The graveside service will be family only and officiated by Chaplain Landis Epp. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Hazelden Springbrook Treatment Center, c/o Scholarship Fund, 1901 Esther Street, Newberg, OR 97132.

Tribute Wall



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Evergreen Memorial Gardens - July 03, 2025 at 09:57 PM

BW

“ I met "Celeste" while we both worked in Real Estate at The Bill Snyder Co., Realtors in Vancouver. Later in 1987, we dated and I really enjoyed the times we had together. We had laughs and serious talks. She was a BEAUTIFUL young woman and had a great smile and a huge heart. I am very saddened to hear the news of her passing and sorry didn't know sooner as to be at her service. However, I know she is looking down upon all of us and without any pain or problems and is our newest Angel. I will miss you Celeste' BUT I will never forget you and your sexy smile! I'm sure we will meet again when it is my time to go home. Much love,

Beau Weidman - September 28, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ Dearest Uncle Will & Aunt Norma Like so many others we have also been saddened of our Cousin Ingrid's passing. Yes Ingrid was Special just like all of Gods children. Ingrid forever will be remembered by all who knew her. With Love Doug & Diane Ward

Douglas Ward - September 25, 2009 at 12:00 AM

GH

“ We have been praying for the whole family all week and pray that God will give you all peace during this time. Celeste is suffering no longer. Will and Norma you were such loving and caring parents. She saw Jesus through your love and because of that she, I believe she is with Jesus now. May her soul rest in peace. Love and prayers, Greg and Shelley

Greg and Shelley Hume - September 22, 2009 at 12:00 AM

AE

“ Carlson Family, We are saddened to learn of Ingrid's death. Our hearts are with you at this difficult time. Angel (Hudlicky) & Rick Ensley

Angel & Rick Ensley - September 21, 2009 at 12:00 AM

SF

“ Dear Norma, Will and family, The sad news of Celestes passing has reached us this weekend and we are so sorry for your loss. You are all in our thoughts. Love Evert & Marianne Emma, Mattias & Linn Josefin, Jan & Edith Lina

SjÅlgren family - September 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CY

“ When I heard about Celeste from my parents, Lori and John, my heart broke. I know how hard it is to lose someone. When I lost my Grandpa I was so sad. I think about him a lot. You're in my prayers.

Carly Yorde - September 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LY

“ Dear Uncle Will and Aunt Norma, We were so sad to hear that Celeste had passed. We want you to know that you have been in our thoughts. Celeste's beautiful smile and sweet laugh will be remembered forever. May your strong faith and wonderful family help you in this time of lose.

Lori and John Yorde - September 20, 2009 at 12:00 AM

FI

“ Dear Willard and Norma and all the Carlson family... We are all so sorry for Your loss and our thoughts will be with You for a long time in Your grief for a daughter. And suddenly - as a flash of light - all wonderful memories from all times when we've met Your families in Vancouver and elsewhere in the northwest comes over me, as a hope for the next days to come. We'll pass this sad news to all Your relatives in Sweden.

Fam. Bertil Ivarsson - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LY

“ Dear Aunt Norma and Uncle Will, We are so sorry to hear that Celeste has passed away. We want you to know that our thoughts and prayers are with you. We will miss seeing Celeste's beautiful smile and hearing her sweet laugh. We know that your strong faith and beautiful family will help sustain you during this time of lose.

Lori and John Yorde - September 19, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DS

“ A beautiful obituary & picture. We are praying for you. The Lord is faithful even when we are too weak to be. Know that we love you.
Dan, Judi, & Suzy

Dan, Judi, & Suzy - September 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

BC

“ Dear Norma and Will, We want you to know how very sorry we are for your loss. We didn't see Celeste often, but when we did, she was always very sweet and kind. May you both feel our Lord's peace at the very difficult time. Knowing too, we will have you and those you love in our prayers. With love, Bill & Paula

Bill & Paula Carnahan - September 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

RM

“ Dear Norma and Family, We are sorry for your loss. Celeste will be missed. Our prayers are with you and your family. Love Rosa & Jack Marvin

Rosa & Jack Marvin - September 18, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ Dear Carlson's, We are so sorry to hear of your loss. She will be missed by many. You are in our thoughts. Love, Tim and Darcy Pfeifer

Darcy Pfeifer - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

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DB

“ Dear Will and Norma I was sorry to hear of your daughter's passing. I hope soon the sad memories turn to the good memories you had with Celeste. You are in our prayers. Sincerely Dick Brautigam

Dick Brautigam - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MW

“ Dear Norma, Will & Family The sadness you are experiencing now in the loss of Celeste is so very difficult...how do you let go of a daughter that you have cared for and loved so dearly? There are no easy answers. Your consolation is in your faith, the knowledge that the Lord's plan was that it was her time to leave this earth & that you gave her the ultimate, unending love & support that parents could give! She is at peace at last in the loving arms of our Lord! My love & prayers are with you... Mary Ann Weisong

Mary Ann Weisong - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CF

“ Our hearts and love are with the Carlson family. We are so sorry for your loss. Ingrid is at peace and with the Lord. Wish we were there to give you all a hug. Connie and Bob Fanning

Connie Fanning - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

CL

“ Norma and Will: Charlie came upon Celeste's obituary. We are very, very sorry to hear of the loss of your daughter. Your family is in our thoughts and prayers. Charlie has such fond memories of your family. Love, Charlie and Margaret Laboda

Charlie and Margaret Laboda - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LC

“ Norma and Will, We are so sorry for your loss. May God's grace heal your sorrow and replace it with happy memories of Celeste. Love, Linda and Doug Calvert

Linda and Doug Calvert - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DH

“ Dear Uncle Will & Aunt Norma, Our hearts ache for you for having to endure the loss of a child. Regardless of the circumstances losing a loved one is painful. We pray that God will give you the Peace that surpasses all understanding as you deal Celeste's passing. May God bless you and your family. Love, Darrel & Cici

Darrel & Cici Hume - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DP

“ I am so sorry for your loss. May God bless you and give you peace. I had the pleasure of meeting Celeste over 16 years ago when Celeste and I did our first 25 mile horseback endurance ride together, that was a long ride. She rode (Blue?) her old Tennessee Walker, she loved that horse. When a person looks back on their life they have to pick out people who had an impact on their own life. I would say that Celeste had a good impact on my life by selling me my old faithful horse 14 yrs ago and she said he was a very good guy, she was right, and I still have him; and by teaching me about Tennessee Walking horses. The Celeste I had the privilege of knowing in my life had a very kind and generous spirit, she loved horses, and animals. Happy Trails Celeste.

Deanne Paris - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

PM

“ So sorry to hear about Celeste. I just want you to know that my heartfelt condolences go out to you and the entire family. I will keep you all of you in my prayers. Pat McCarroll

Pat McCarroll - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

WJ

“ *The Carlson Family, Sorry to hear of Ingrid's passing. I got the pleasure to talk with her the last week of August. I met Ingrid in junior high school and remained friends throughout the years. I remember the good times when she was the first one to get her drivers license and taking us girls for wild rides, and the times shared afterschool at her house. We tried on Norma's bra wishing it would fit and laughing with tears. Our Hawaii trip together, and many more. You will be missed. Rest in Peace, Love Wendy and Becky*

wendy josephsen - September 17, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *I love you Celeste! Rest well in the arms of Jesus! You are deeply missed here, but no more tears, pain or sorrows for you now. I remember when we were having an arm wrestle at your parents house here in Spokane. We were only about 7 & 8 yrs old. The room was filled with Bob & Jeanette, many of your other cousins and our parents. I said, "Just relax your arm will ya!" So you did for just a second and I put you down FAST! Everyone burst out laughing!! That was my only trick to win! I was always weaker in strength than you. So naturally I would pull out the cheating method! I have so many fond memories of playing and hanging out with you! Swimming, you riding your horse, ice skating in your back yard, playing tennis and swinging on your tree swing. Me with my thumb and you with your stick. A sight to laugh at for sure! We were very close for a long time. Until I see you again...Love, Your "Bossy Cousin" Debbie*

Debbie Dubois - September 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

DW

“ *You are in our thoughts and prayers. Our hearts go out to you during this difficult time. With Love, Darcy and Brian*

Darcy Wise - September 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

TP

“ Dear Will and Norma: You are in my prayers tonight. As a survivor of the disease of alcoholism, I appreciate the candor exhibited in your obituary. I hope I am not too forward to speak this way: this insidious disease is unique in that it is a brain disorder and one of its symptoms is that it tells the brain that it is not diseased. Celeste was up against a real enemy. Her death is not in vain. We are all reminded that disease, any disease, left untreated is very dangerous. I hope my words comfort and don't wound. I really do understand the pain that Celeste lived with. I am trying to understand your pain and will pray for the entire family. Love, Ted Parry

Ted Parry - September 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

KI

“ Dear Norma and Will, We are so sorry for the loss of your daughter. You will be in our thoughts. Love from Kerstin & Ingemar Karlsson

Kerstin & Ingemar - September 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Dear Norma and Will, We are so sorry for the loss of your beautiful daughter. You will be in our thoughts and prayers. Love and God Bless, Mary and Jerry Bishop

Mary Bishop - September 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM

LF

“ Grandma and Grandpa, I will always cherish my memories of Aunt Celeste teaching me how to ride her horses. She was so patient with me and had such a wonderful sense of humor. I can just hear her laughter as I bounced around the arena! She will be very missed. Love, P.J., Lindsay and Jack Fisher

Lindsay Fisher - September 16, 2009 at 12:00 AM



“ *We are so sorry for your loss and we are sad that we will not be present to celebrate her life and the love that you generously showered on her. God Bless, Lindsay, Ford and Kealy*

Lindsay Jordan - September 15, 2009 at 12:00 AM