



Jack D. Willbanks

April 17, 1940 - March 6, 2026

Jack D. Willbanks was born on April 17, 1940 in Springfield, Missouri, & passed away peacefully on March 6, 2026, in Vancouver, Washington.

After marrying the love of his life, Verla Ann, the two began their journey together in Springfield, later moving to Pasadena, California, then Oregon, and ultimately making their home in Vancouver, Washington.

A Man of deep faith, Jack attended church every Saturday

& formed lasting friendships within his church community.

A collector since childhood, Jack had a lifelong curiosity & appreciation for the world around him. He loved to travel, especially with Verla by his side, exploring places like Hawaii & Puerto Rico. Nature brought him joy – whether fishing in the ocean or along the river – & he had a special affection for dogs, who were always a part of his life.

Jack's attention to detail shaped a varied & accomplished working life. He repaired televisions, worked with computer hardware & software, & built a successful butterfly taxidermy business. His creativity extended into the kitchen & the arts; he was an avid cook & a gifted musician who played & taught both piano & violin. A man of steady habits, Jack embraced the rhythm of early mornings & meals shared at just the right time. He was unapologetically honest & he had a sharp memory.

Jack is survived by his devoted wife, Verla Ann Willbanks; his children Anthony Wayne, Timothy Alan, Phillip Andrew & Regina Anne, twelve grandchildren; and twenty-one great-grandchildren with two more on the way. His family was his greatest pride.

He will be laid to rest at Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Vancouver, Washington, in the Garden of Faith.

Previous Events

VIEWING

MAR 27. 9:00 AM - 12:30 PM (PT)

Evergreen Memorial Gardens Cemetery, Funeral Chapel and Crematory
1101 NE 112th Ave
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In our Holly Room.

Chapel Service

MAR 27. 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM (PT)

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Graveside

MAR 27. 1:30 PM - 2:00 PM (PT)

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Hospitality

MAR 27. 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM (PT)

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