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Sandra (Sandi) Jean Sterner, 63, of Battle Ground, WA, passed away peacefully the morning of March 20, 2021, at Legacy Salmon Creek, after a courageous 14 year battle with cancer.

Sandi was born October 25, 1957, in Bremerton, WA, to parents William and Dorothy (Carlson)

Keyes. She graduated from South Kitsap High School in 1976. She briefly served in the U.S.

Army.

Eventually Sandi moved to Clark County, WA, where she met and married Dean Sterner.

Together they built a beautiful life on a tree farm in Yacolt, WA, celebrating 34 years together.

Sandi was an extraordinary gardener, cook, and shopper. She adored spending time with friends and family, cherishing her cats over the years as well. Sandi was a warm, generous, dependable woman. To know her was to love her.

Sandi was a traveler for both work and leisure. She LOVED vacationing in Hawaii. During

vacations she was an avid photographer, expressing her deep appreciation for the beauty of

nature. She especially loved water, sunrises and sunsets. No matter where she was, she always

provided the tastiest Happy Hour snacks, and the best puzzles and games.

Sandi enjoyed a 36 year career with Perry Ellis International (formerly Jantzen), for whom she

travelled extensively for over 25 years throughout the U.S. and the world, ultimately achieving

the position of Director of Product Integrity. Sandi made lifelong friendships and connections

worldwide throughout her career.

Sandi is survived by her husband Dean Sterner, of Battle Ground, WA, and brothers Robert and

David Keyes, of Port Orchard, WA. She was preceded in death by her parents, sister Virginia

Thornton, and brother William "Butch" Keyes.

Donations may be made to the cancer foundation of choice.

Sandi's Celebration of Life will be held outside this summer in the warm weather.

Tribute Wall

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“ I had the pleasure of working with Sandi for the past three years. No matter the situation, Sandi was always kind. Over the last year, despite her illness; Sandi's attitude was always positive. She always greeted you with a smile & asked how you were. She was always considerate of others, and she always wanted to help. When I think about what Sandi was going through, and how lovely she was through it all; I'm just amazed at her strength. At a time when most people would be hyper-focused on themselves, she turned her focus outwards. She was as bright-eyed and happy the last time I spoke with her as she was the first day we were introduced. Her illness never changed who she was as a person. Her kindheartedness and her genuine good nature will be greatly missed. I'm grateful to have met her, and I think most of us could benefit from striving to maintain a fraction of the positivity she exuded. If I could say one thing to Sandi, it would be thank you. My condolences to Dean & the rest of her family. She was a wonderful, wonderful human. Kindest regards, Erika Gentry

Erika Gentry - April 16, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ My sweet aunt sandi. I love u with all my heart and will miss u tremendously but will never forget you 💔 Love, Tracey

Tracey Jones - April 05, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ Sandi seemed to us as a resilient survivor and a sweet responsive loved one who left us way too soon. Gary & Barbara Sterner



Gary Sterner - March 31, 2021 at 12:00 AM