



# Nancy A. Nelson

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**N**ancy Nelson was born in Tacoma, January 18, 1937 by her parents William and Audrey McKendry (deceased). She Graduated from Lincoln High School in 1954. Survived by Dennis Nelson, husband of 50 years; their daughters Vickie Cowan, husband Jim, Roxanne Nelson, significant other John, and Denise Bailey, husband Steve, her brother Bill Mckendry and faithful dog, Brandy. Nancy also has 8 grandchildren: Denette Cowan, Nichole Moody, Renee Engelking, Jack Cowan, Ashley Moody, Eric Engelking, Jennifer Bailey, and Steven Bailey. Her great-grandchildren are LilÃ, Markie DeClements III, and Julien Bailey. Nancy loved to go camping, fishing and hunting. Her hobbies included playing lottery scratch tickets, watching the hummingbirds, crocheting, dancing, and watching the Mariners, Seahawks, and Sonics. She was a past matron of Eastern Stars vida chapter 37. Nancy was a dedicated wife and wonderful mother and grandmother. She was our mother-goose, always making sure everyone was taken care of. She was a warm, generous, loving person with a big heart. Nancy fought a courageous battle with cancer. Her spirit lives on in all the lives she touched. Nancy passed away June 10, 2005 at her home with family in Lakewood. Viewing will be held Wednesday 1:00 - 9:00 PM at Mt. View Funeral Home. Funeral Services will be 11:00 AM Thursday, June 16, 2005 in the Mt. View Valley Chapel. Reception to follow at Dennis and Nancy NelsonÃ's home in Lakewood. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to MultiCare Hospice, 710 South Fawcett Ave. PO Box 5200, Tacoma WA 98415. We would like to thank MultiCare Hospice and University Place Care Center for their generosity and support. We couldnÃ,t have done it without you.



## Tribute Wall

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**Anonymous** posted:

What can you say about Nancy without thinking about her laugh, generosity and zest for life. Since i was the girlfriend of d'nephew as she so lovingly called Dale, I was welcomed into the family the first time I met her. Through the years of weddings, holidays and just get-togethers we became very close. We loved it when Denny, Nancy and the whole group used to come up here to camp and fish. It was like a vacation for us. We spent many a nights by the campfire laughing, drinking and really enjoying life to the fullest. We are having a hard time thinking that Nancy won't be here anymore except in our hearts and memories. But we do have those wonderful memories. We love and miss you Nancy. Love d'nephew and Pam##imported-begin##pam and dale##imported-end##

June 27 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear "Sexy" Bamma, There has not been a day that has passed that I haven't thought about you. You were such a passionate caring person that made such a huge impact on everyone you ever met. Your outgoing personality and great sense of humor was infectious and that is what I loved most about you. You inspired us all with your strength and you never would allow a single moment to be dull. You loved and lived life to the fullest. You will always be forever in my heart. I love you.##imported-begin##Denette Cowan##imported-end##

June 26 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Denny, We didn't know about Nancy until after the service was held. We are so sorry that we could not be there. You and Nancy will always have a special place in Brian's heart. He has many fond memories of hunting and fishing with you both. I know there was a falling out with our families, but we still care about you. Our prayers are with you and your family. May God bless all of you. Brian, Karen and David Myers##imported-begin##Brian and Karen Myers##imported-end##

June 22 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Denny, Vick, Roxanne and Denise. Nancy's joy of life and positive caring spirit will remain with me always. Her star is shining bright. God Bless and all my Love Lou Ann##imported-begin##Lou Ann Martin##imported-end##

June 15 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Denny & Daughters : My thoughts and feeling of sorrow are with you at this time. I know them well.I must say I will always remember Nancy smiling, happy and full of fun. She always gave you a Howdy and a Hug and made sure you felt welcome. Nancy would always tell you how she felt about something. If you wanted a straight answer, Ask Nancy.To the whole family I must say; I am sorry you all must feel this sadness. However you must also feel a lot of Pride. Always remember how Nancy "Loved" all of you for who we were, how she lived her life and raised you all. She always tried to do the best she could and took care of all of us who were close to her.She will be missed by everyone that knew her.##imported-begin##Jay Cowan##imported-end##

June 15 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear Denny,Vicki,Roxanne,Denise and all the wonderful family of Nancy....Our hearts go out to you at this very difficult time. What a courageous battle she fought with all the dignity, strenght, and most of all humor we could only expect from Nancy. You must all be very proud as I'm sure she is of all of you. All our love Dave & Jodi##imported-begin##Jodi Owens##imported-end##

June 14 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Dear mom, It still is unbelievable you are gone. But your spirit lives on and I feel your presence every day. I am so proud to have you as my mom. You taught me so much about life and death. Your love, dedication,and loyalty are admirable. We know why you were the misses cravits of the neighborhood because your concern and thoughtfulness about other people was important to you. One of your best traits was that you liked the simple things in life. You were a down to earth person. Many people love that about you. I miss you and Love you with all my heart. Thanks for being the best MOM. Love your daughter, Roxanne##imported-begin##Roxanne Nelson##imported-end##

June 14 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Dennis and family, My love and thoughts are with you. It wont be the same fishing without Nancy. Anytime she was down at Mom & Buds with Denny, or down in Cathlamet fishing, she always had a big smile and hug for you, some jokes, and the sports on the radio, whenever the kids and I came there. You both have hearts of gold. She will be missed so much. My prayers are with you Denny and your family. With Love, Linda & Steve Weicht, Kenzie & Destin too.##imported-begin##Linda Gail Weicht##imported-end##

June 14 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mom,I love you so very, very much. I have so many wonderful memories, that at times I find myself closing my eyes thinking back and before you know it I have a big smile on my face. You are such a wonderful, caring mother, who loved life so much. I will miss you, but you will always be in my heart forever. Your daughter Vickie##imported-begin##Vickie Cowan##imported-end##

June 14 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

May I always remember my time on the river with you and your husband.My first real fish I caught was with you alls help.Godblees##imported-begin##Steve Weicht##imported-end##

June 14 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

NULL##imported-begin##Bud and dot mickelsen##imported-end##

June 13 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

We know how hard it is to lose someone so dear to your heart but always know that she will continue to live through each and everyone one of you. She's watching you all from above!With deep sympathy,Rebecca and Jordan##imported-begin##Rebecca and Jordan Williamson##imported-end##

June 13 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

My grandma nancy nelson was the strongest person I've ever known. Even as sick as she was, she was in great spirits and faught hard. I will miss her dearly. Some day we will meat again, but untill then Gram I love and miss you very much!!!##imported-begin##nichole moody##imported-end##

June 13 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

I have many fond memories of Nancy from my summers at the Bear Creek campground. She was always laughing and in good spirits. She loved my brother and I just like family. I will always remember her.##imported-begin##Nicole (Wolfe) Hancock##imported-end##

June 13 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Aunt Nancy was one of my favorite family members. Always fun, always with a smile. Special to my heart are all the memories of camping at Bear Creek. Family, fun, fishing, and food. I will miss her terribly. I may not have seen her as often since I've been an adult, but it was nice to know that she was there if I needed her. I know now that she is making the angels laugh. Until I see you again, Love you Aunt Nancy.##imported-begin##Crystal Constant##imported-end##

June 12 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

My prayers to all.##imported-begin##Allen Klahn##imported-end##

June 11 at 6:00 PM



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**Anonymous** posted:

Aunt Nancy will always be one of our favorite people we will ever have the pleasure of knowing and being related to. I have so many fond memories to remember her, dating back to the summers at the Bear Creek Campground and many Christmas Eve gatherings. Her laughter was one of my favorite things about her. She had such a great sense of humor! We will be forever grateful that she made it to our wedding in Forks and showed everyone how to have a good time (and we have it on tape too!!). Aunt Nancy will be in our hearts forever and we miss her tremendously.##imported-begin##Staci (Nelson)& Brace Rigby##imported-end##

June 11 at 6:00 PM



**Anonymous** posted:

Mommy, I Love You and miss you. You'll always be in my heart. Love you forever,  
Daddy##imported-begin##Dennis Nelson##imported-end##

June 11 at 6:00 PM



## **Memories only last if you share them**

Join us in honoring Nancy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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