



## MaryAnn Harrison

July 22, 1943 - January 12, 2020

Mary Ann Harrison, daughter of Mary and Stephen Lembicz, was born in Wilkes-Barre Pennsylvania on July 22, 1943. Mary Ann passed away following an extended illness on January 12th, 2020 and is survived by her loving husband, Michael, children Deborah and John, Daughter in Law Julie, Grandchildren Tiffany, Antonio, Miguel, Ashley and Jordan, and Great-granddaughter Phoebe.

While Stephen was serving in WWII, Mary Ann relocated to Tacoma with her Mother and they were reunited with Stephen upon his return from the war. Mary Ann attended Visitation Catholic School and St Leo's High School and went on to study Education at Seattle University. Mary Ann and Michael met the Summer before she began college and were married on August 8, 1964.

Mary Ann spent her adult life giving to others, serving as a teacher at St. Charles Borromeo and in the Steilacoom School District. She became an Associate of the Tacoma Dominicans (Sisters of St. Dominic) and was committed to supporting their mission of providing basic human needs. Mary Ann and Michael enjoyed providing many years of hospitality for parishioners following Mass at St Leos. In recent years, Mary Ann dedicated her time to assisting new immigrants through Advocates for Immigrants in Detention Northwest.

Mary Ann was a vibrant personality with a loving soul, a great sense of humor and had a positive effect on all those whose path she crossed. Mary Ann enjoyed expressing her creativity through her love of jewelry making, watercolors, floral and interior design, to name a few hobbies. She will be deeply missed by all.

Services will be held at St Leo's Catholic Church, 710 S. 13th St. Tacoma WA 98405, on Tuesday, January 21st at 12:10 PM.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to Advocates for Immigrants in Detention Northwest (AIDNW), 1915 South Sheridan Ave, Tacoma WA 98405 and/or Sisters of St. Dominic, 935 Fawcett Ave., Tacoma 98402.

Remembrances may be shared at [www.mountainviewtacoma.com](http://www.mountainviewtacoma.com)

# Events

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**JAN**   **Memorial Mass**                      12:10PM  
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St Leo's Catholic Church

710 S. 13th St., Tacoma, WA, US, 98405

# Comments

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“ We met MaryAnn and Mike in AZ where they wintered at Happy Trails Resort. Such a beautiful lady on the inside and outside. A very loving and compassionate friend.  
Diane and Dean Kleinsmith

**Diane Kleinsmith** - January 27 at 09:06 PM

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“ She was a very sweet person and I will miss seeing her smiling face.

**Desiree Jones** - January 22 at 04:39 PM

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“ If ever there was a blessing it was Mary Ann. She loved her family so graciously and included others to come and share her home. I feel such a lovely and effervescent light can never be extinguished. Her lovely memories will forever remain in my heart.  
GFG Denise Bay your forever friend.

**Denise Bay** - January 21 at 12:32 AM

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“ A loving soul who will be truly missed. MaryAnn, thank you for sharing your kindness and talented gifts of art. Amazing jewelry maker and baker. Your graciousness will always be remembered!

**jain toal** - January 20 at 07:27 PM

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“ I will miss her laugh.

**Patty Patten** - January 20 at 03:21 PM

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“ She had a great sense of humor and will truly be missed. I loved her beautiful cards.  
Joan Haugsness

**Joan Haugsness** - January 18 at 06:50 PM

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“ Mary Ann truly lit up the room when she smiled. She was lovely and gracious, thoughtful and warm, and easy to laugh. She has a special place in my heart. I am grateful to have known her.



**Jan Whitaker** - January 17 at 06:53 PM

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“ Dear Loving Family of Mary Ann. We first met in grammar school and were then classmates for four years at St. Leo's High School. Later we were students together at Seattle University in the early 1960's. It was always a delight to connect with her from time to time at our regular alumni luncheons. I grieve with you over your loss of a truly wonderful person. Sending you love , light , and peace, Marianne Meier

**Marianne Meier** - January 15 at 06:17 PM