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Denise Leah "Dee" Schoenmakers, 65, a lifelong Wenatchee Valley Resident, entered into rest on Saturday, August 28, 2021 at Central Washington Hospital.

Dee was born on March 8, 1956 in Wenatchee to James Ronald "Ron" and Virginia (Cole) Rankin. She was raised in Cashmere and graduated from Cashmere High School with the class of 1974. She made her home in Peshastin. She moved to Wenatchee in 1978, and briefly worked at the Rock Island Tavern. Dee went to work at Cascadian Fruit Shippers where she was the shipping clerk, then later for Sears where she managed furniture sales.

After Sears, Dee worked at Haglund's Trophies before going to work at the Van Well Nursery. She was initially an executive secretary and later became their customer service specialist. She worked for Van Well's for over 20 years before retiring in March of 2021.

Dee worked as a volunteer for the Washington Apple Education Foundation. She had also started a business known as Data Unlimited - a proof reading

company.

Dee met James "Jim" Schoenmakers and they were married on August 1, 1981 in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho.

She especially enjoyed cooking, gardening, and crocheting. Dee and Jim made a trip to New York that was extra special.

Dee is survived by her husband: James "Jim" Schoenmakers; daughters: Brooc (Jason) Barb, Nichole "Nikki" Rueth, and step-daughter: Jill (Brad) Mumm; siblings: Debbie Carter; brothers: Daniel (Tammy) Rankin, Dwayne Rankin, and Dara (Steve) Bricker; four grandchildren: Jeremy Barb, Chloe Barb, Jackson Mumm, and Grace Mumm. Dee is preceded in death by her parents.

A Memorial Service will be held at the lawn outside of the Cashmere Church of God Faith of Abraham on Saturday, September 11, 2021 at 12:00 pm. The family asks that green (Dee's favorite color) be worn to the service. Memorial Donations can be sent to the Cashmere Church of God, Faith of Abraham at 5700 Pioneer Ave, Cashmere, WA 98815.

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Very kind and hospitable hosting family get-togethers. Will greatly be missed.*

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**Karah Dykes-Rankin** - September 27, 2021 at 04:13 PM

JH

“ *There really isn't anything I can say about Dee that those who know her don't already recognize - Dee gave us so much - love, kindness, hugs , and giggles. I am so lucky we crossed paths. I do so very much appreciate her friendship and unconditional love. Cheers my friend... see ya' later.*

 *Janet Hopkins*

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**Janet Hopkins** - September 10, 2021 at 05:17 PM

LP

“ *Extending deepest sympathy to all Dee's family during this time of unexpected sorrow. May you find peace, comfort, and strength in the strong love you have for her and one another. With love, Lois Parker*

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**Lois Parker** - September 04, 2021 at 10:36 PM

JS

“ *Dee was one of a kind and always enjoyable to visit with, along with her great ability at cooking and baking which will be missed.*

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**Jack Snyder** - September 03, 2021 at 01:33 PM