



Douglas " Doug " B. Cockrum

January 25, 1952 - January 15, 2010

Douglas B. "Doug" Cockrum, 57, a longtime Monitor resident and lifelong Wenatchee area resident, passed away on Friday, January 15, 2010 at Central Washington Hospital, following a courageous battle with cancer.

He was born on January 25, 1952 in Wenatchee, son of the late Robert E. and Joy L. (Gillispie) Cockrum. He was raised in Wenatchee and attended East Wenatchee Schools. In 1971, following high school, he along with a partner, started C & S Wine and Malt Supply. They operated their business into the mid 1970's.

On July 7, 1973, he was married to Sharon Lee McKee at Ohme Gardens in Wenatchee. They moved to make their home in Monitor in 1974.

Doug went to work as a Mechanic for Reichert Nissan in 1975 and remained there until becoming a Salesman for Alpine Motors in 1982. In 1984, he became a Salesman for Basin Asphalt out of Moses Lake and in 2002, he went to work for Mitchell Trucking and Paving as an Estimator. He continued working as an Estimator until ill health forced him to retire.

Doug was a very kind and gentle man. He always fully gave of himself. He would help anyone, with anything, at any time. His life was full of friends & family. He was such a proud Papa. He loved being with his grandchildren, Kalyn & Ty. They would hop on the scooter with Papa and away they would

go. Doug loved to go camping with his family at Silver Falls and then there was always the yearly Memorial Weekend Campout that went on for over 30 years. He had a wonderful sense of humor and kept all of us laughing whenever we were around him. He loved to cook and enjoyed having friends and family over for a barbecue. He had a talent for going into the kitchen & putting things together & they were always excellent. Doug had a heart of gold & he was so proud of his boys, Brian & Ian. Sharon & his family were his life & he had a very good & meaningful one. He touched many lives & was a blessing to all that knew him.

He is survived by his wife of 36 years, Sharon Cockrum, Monitor; two sons, Terrill "Brian" (Liana) Cockrum, Moses Lake and Ian R. Cockrum, Wenatchee; one brother, Ronald E. "Ron" Cockrum, Wenatchee; three sisters, Jamie (Bob) Akers, East Wenatchee, Julie E. (Clint) Biggar, Ritzville and Robyn (Wayne) Larimore, Cashmere and two grandchildren, Kalyn Mae Cockrum, Moses Lake and Ty Douglas Cockrum, Wenatchee.

A Commemoration Service will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, January 23, 2010 at the West Campus of the Wenatchee Valley Praise Center, 435 S. Mission Street, Wenatchee, with Pastor Sal Dimare officiating. Parking facilities are available in the parking lot North of the Church. Friends who wish may make memorial donations in his name to the American Cancer Society.

Please sign in or leave a memory for the family online by visiting www.HeritageMemorialChapel.com . Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel, East Wenatchee.

Tribute Wall

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“ I was very sorry to hear about the passing of Doug I knew Doug from ower teen year,s when ever that was but i thought Doug was a very friedly guy and i respected him , he did,t have a mean bone in his body, he well truely be missed,when i worked at Rex,s cut rate his when i really got to know Doug

Terry Tussey - January 23, 2010 at 12:46 PM

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“ To the family of Doug. My heart goes out to all of you at this time, to have a life taken at such a young age is hard to understand and certainly one that had so much to give. I knew Doug from the time he was born and grew up with him and his family, prefer to maybe say my extended family, as his parents and my parents where best of friends and we all spent a lot of time together, makes you wonder how life goes and how we can loose touch.

To his kids and Grandkids you must know what a wonderful person he was and so full of life, I just hope the daily thoughts of him brings a huge smile to your face. All through school from Grade 1 on he was a wonderful friend to all, and truly made all of laugh. To all of his Sister's and Brother a huge void in your life,I'm sure he was a support to you all. To his Wife of several years, may just the thought of Doug and his kindness flood your memories for years to come. I regret I will not be able to attend the celebration of his life, but will hold each of you close.

May God Bless each of you in the days ahead. Rex

Rex Gallaher - January 22, 2010 at 03:52 AM

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“ Dennis Radke: EHS Class of 1970

Dennis Radke - January 21, 2010 at 04:20 AM