



Janda Kay Takasugi

September 30, 1956 - May 24, 2022

Janda Kay Takasugi passed away peacefully at home on May 24, 2022, after fighting a courageous battle against lung cancer that lasted nearly five years.

Janda was born on September 30, 1956, in Lafayette, Indiana, to Harold and Helen Widmer. She graduated from high school and college and was a lifelong "Boilermaker."

After graduating with a Business Degree in 1983, Janda began her career at the Alcoa plant in Lafayette, Indiana. In 1990, she was promoted and transferred to the Alcoa plant in Wenatchee, Washington. I met Janda shortly after she moved to Wenatchee and for me, it was love at first sight. Thank God she said yes and we were married on May 26, 1991.

Janda gave birth to Jordan in 1993 and to Taylor in 1999. She was a wonderful and devoted mother to our girls. She was also a very proud parent as both girls received their undergraduate degrees from Gonzaga University and Jordan received her medical degree from the University of Washington and Taylor is currently pursuing her master's degree from Gonzaga University.

In her spare time, Janda enjoyed playing golf. She also enjoyed watching Jordan and Taylor play golf as both girls became pretty good high school golfers. However, most important, Janda was the first in our family to win a big

golf tournament. She won the women's trophy for being low net of the field at the 2002 Labor Day Invitational Golf Tournament held at the Wenatchee Golf & Country Club.

Janda also liked reading. She even joined a book club. But for her it was the people in the book club that she enjoyed the most: Judy, Susan, Joyce, Carol, Sue, and Robin. She thought of each of you as her friend.

Janda took up sewing and quilting towards the end and the quilts that she made were very important to her. You were a special person in her life if she gave you one of her quilts. Sadly, she had so many more quilts that she wanted to make and give to people but she just ran out of time.

Janda retired from Alcoa in 2009 as the plant's Procurement Manager. However, even after her retirement, she still maintained her friendship with the Alcoa ladies: Virginia, Kellie, Becky, and Barb. She loved the trips to Reno, the coffee get-togethers, the monthly dinners, and her time with all of you.

Finally, to Jack and Jan Snyder, thank you for everything. Jan, you were always a best friend to Janda.

Janda is survived by me, her husband, Douglas Takasugi, East Wenatchee, Washington; our two daughters, Jordan Takasugi, Little Rock, Arkansas, and Taylor Takasugi, Spokane, Washington; her mother, Helen Widmer, Lafayette, Indiana; and her younger brother and his wife, Aaron and Lynna Widmer, Manitowoc, Wisconsin. Janda was preceded in death by her father, Harold Widmer, and her older sister, Gloria Troughton.

For Janda, it's not really the end but the beginning. Pursuant to her wishes, there will not be a funeral or memorial service.

Arrangements are in the care of Heritage Memorial Chapel East Wenatchee and Cashmere.

Tribute Wall

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“ I met Janda when I started dating her brother, Aaron.. I was lucky enough to become a member of their family. Janda was the sister that I never had and a friend I could call and talk to anytime. I enjoyed sharing our conversations about the girls, our dogs, cooking, flowers and listening to her and Aaron talk and laugh on the phone. I enjoyed going shopping with Janda and then stopping to get something to drink (Chai tea, Coke with Kahula and the last drink we had together after shopping was a Strawberry Lemon Drop martini). I will miss her kind heart, soft voice and laugh. I will miss being able to pick up the phone, to call her, and say, "Hi Janda..., Love you." ❤️

Lynna Widmer - June 09, 2022 at 11:03 PM

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“ Janda was my life teacher. She taught me how to play. She taught me how to laugh. She taught me how to dance. I remember one night she came home from a school dance and taught me the bump. This was the first time I danced. She taught me so much more. I will always miss our talks on the phone. Her counsel and her wit. Her up beat demeanor. Janda I will always keep you in my heart. Love you always sis. Aaron

Aaron Widmer - June 08, 2022 at 07:25 PM

JS

“ This week we all lost a wonderful, loving lady who will be missed by many and remembered forever, this is the time of year when we would go to Canada and play golf and shopping for Janda her favorite hobby she was very good at shopping. Jan is now free from her illness and in a better place I'm sure she is getting everything organized for when all of her family and friends will join her when our time on this earth is over and we will join Janda in Heaven for eternity.

Jack Snyder - June 01, 2022 at 01:01 PM

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“ Janda was my best friend ! We laughed together cried together and had so many fun times . Janda had a heart of gold she would do anything for anyone and she also had a smart come back for everything ! Boy could that girl make quilts and I was so lucky to be given the gift of one from her . Janda loved her girls so very much and she was one proud mama of the ladies they have become . She told me she was so lucky to have Doug as her husband as he gave her love and strength ! I will miss my Besti as I cannot pick up the phone and call her text her or visit her but I will hug her in my heart everyday 💖 I love you Janda ❤️

Jan snyder - May 31, 2022 at 07:51 PM