



## Lonnie H Still

August 21, 1955 - June 27, 2021

Lonnie Hansferd Still was born on August 21, 1955, at Sunnyside Memorial Hospital in Sunnyside, WA, and passed away on Sunday, June 27, 2021, at his home in Wenatchee, WA, after learning two weeks earlier that he had pancreatic cancer. His parents were Martha Jane Still (Edens) and Hansferd Samuel Still, and he had three siblings at that time: Velma Still, Denzel D. Still, and Gail W. Still. At the time he was born in Sunnyside the family actually lived on a 47 acre farm in Grandview, WA. Lonnie's paternal grandparents lived on the farm also with their youngest two sons still in school (Lonnie's uncles). The family moved to Pasco, WA in 1957 where Rhonda L. Still and Timothy D. Still were added to the family.

Lonnie was married three times in his earlier adult years, but did not have children. He was a sweet and loving brother and a kind and generous friend to everyone. He was very accomplished in a number of areas and proud of his achievements and diplomas that he worked so hard for. Some of the occupations gained from these include being a Journeyman Pipefitter/Welder, a Certified Professional Electrologist, and a Professional Medical Transcriptionist. As a Pipefitter/Welder he worked out at the Hanford Nuclear Site in Richland, WA, as well as travelling to other temporary job sites in places like Beaumont, TX. After an early retirement from that work, he took over his sister Velma's Electrolysis practice for the 7 years she was in Alaska, and then moved to Wenatchee to manage a Nextel phone store in the Mall.

HOWEVER, through it all he was always an accomplished Musician which was his true love and passion and constant Profession from the age of 10 until his death. He played professionally for several years in Seattle and the surrounding areas, and was a smooth, impressive saxophone player as well as playing the guitar, steel drums and other percussion instruments, and even sang some. His reward was hearing that applause!

Besides having a lot of hobbies or fun things to do, Lonnie was always working on something, whether it be repairing the plumbing in his house, restoring an old car, making a motorhome out of an old bus, or putting cabinets etc. in his van to go boondocking in the desert for the winter. He enjoyed life, liked cooking gourmet meals and riding his motorcycles, and loved his family and friends.

At the time of his death, Lonnie was 65 years old and survived by his five siblings: Velma Johnson of Pasco, WA, Denzel Still of Kennewick, WA, Gail Still & (Nell) of The Villages, Florida, Rhonda Sample of Tacoma, WA, and Timothy Still & (Ginger) of West Richland, WA, as well as two nieces and three nephews, and two great nieces and two great nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents: Hansferd Still, and Martha Collins & (Roy) and an uncle Les Sample, Jr.

A Celebration of Life will be held at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, July 11, 2021, at the Pasco Nazarene Church at 7305 West Court St., Pasco, WA.

Art Pepper Philosophy

# Tribute Wall

PB

“ Sorry to hear about Lonnie's passing. I remember him as Velma & Denzel's little brother. Cherish your happy times and fond memories.

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**Peggy (Garner) Bezold** - July 15, 2021 at 07:47 PM

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“ So sad to read about this in the Tri-City Herald. Lonnie is my cousin on the Edens side of the family. Lonnie's mom, Aunt Martha was my grandfather Maynard Edens' sister. Lonnie is just a few days older than I am and I remember at some of the family reunions we'd hang together. He's gone way too soon. Love to his siblings.

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**Anita Griffin** - July 10, 2021 at 02:42 PM

JL

“ I met Lonnie through my Cousins Destinee and Travis. Lonnie will alway be music in my memories of him. Oh the harmonies we created in those epic holiday kitchen jams. He was good company, light hearted, laid back, talented and just a great person. He became part of our family really. We expected him to be there. Lonnie will be deeply missed. Lots of love to all who loved him. Jaimee Lee-Roche

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**Jaimee Lee-Roche** - July 04, 2021 at 01:40 PM

TV

“ *Lonnie was genuinely passionate about music. Most of us only heard him make extraordinary music, but he pushed for it to be better to meet his exceptionally high standards. It's not often that people stop talking at a wedding to listen to the band. When Lonnie played sax at our wedding, he had everyone's attention. He was greatly talented and loved the thrill of bringing together a strong group of musical professionals to deliver an exceptional sound. As intense as Lonnie was about his music, he was a relaxed and laid back rider on his beloved Kawasaki Drifter motorcycle. He carefully crafted a unique look for the bike and himself, favoring a buckskin image. He thoroughly enjoyed and took care of his motorcycle and brought a unique flair to every road trip. In every endeavor, Lonnie enjoyed a good joke and was quick with a laugh and a smile that shone in his eyes. It's always sad to lose a good person, especially when it's before their time.*

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**Tom Villani** - July 03, 2021 at 04:04 PM

CS

“ *Lonnie was a good friend of my father's and lived across the street from him for years. Back in the day, a bunch of wonderful people would meet up at my dad's place for good food, wine, karaoke, laughter and friendship. It was a special era and the sunsets were epic. Lonnie was just a joy to be around. He laughed a lot, sang and was just full of good energy. From memory, he went on some of the fun motorcycle trips with my dad and a few other pals. I'm really sorry to hear he has passed on at a younger age and my condolences to his family and friends. I'll always remember his smile, his laugh and his kindness. Chris Savage*

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**Chris Savage** - June 30, 2021 at 02:19 AM