



## Roberta Diane Bailey

April 25, 1947 - October 11, 2014

Roberta D. "Berta" Bailey, 67, a 30 year Wenatchee Valley resident passed away on Saturday, October 11 at RiverWest Retirement Community, following a graceful life of 25 years with Parkinson's.

She was born on April 25, 1947 in Wenatchee, WA to the late Robert K and D. Genevieve (Orcutt) Walls. Her younger years were spent in the Cashmere and Dryden areas until 1964, when the family moved to the Swauk area to Liberty. Berta attended and graduated from the CleElum High School in 1965 and continued her education at Central in Ellensburg, graduating with a BA degree - double major in Spanish and Geography. Upon completion of college, she accepted a teacher's job in Soldotna, Alaska. Later she returned to CleElum and went to work for the U.S. Forest Service at the Ranger Station. In the early 1980's she transferred to the Supervisors office in Wenatchee, where she worked in Lands and Minerals. Through her work she had met Michael Bailey, in the Land Surveyor Department of the U.S.F.S.; they eloped on November 13, 1984 to Carson City, Nevada. They made their home together in Wenatchee. Berta retired in the fall of 1996. In 2001, they moved to East Wenatchee.

Berta enjoyed the outdoors, including snowmobiling. She was a master genealogist. Her intellect and interests made for varied and interesting conversations between Michael and herself, he would say "she gave me a run for my money, and she always won!"

A Very Special Thank You to Claudia Nilson, ARNP; caregivers, Jan

Magnussen, Pat Moore, Leta Voris, Cheryl Maher and the staff of RiverWest Retirement Community. Your friendship with Berta as well as your care will forever be cherished.

At her request no services will be held. Donations made in her name would be welcomed to the: WENATCHEE VALLEY HUMANE SOCIETY INC.

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

# Tribute Wall

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“ *Michael...I am so sorry for your loss. Roberta was a beautiful and strong woman and we are saddened by her passing. I will pass on the word to Penny Pete and Susan. Is there a somewhere to make donations in her name? Somewhere she would like to see supported? I'd love to talk to you. Sending love and support.*

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**Debbie Mayer** - October 14, 2014 at 10:07 PM



“ *lit a candle in memory of Roberta Diane Bailey*



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October 14, 2014 at 10:04 PM

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“ *Mike, I guess I don't need to tell you what a great lady Roberta was. Blessings can come in mixed packages. It would be a terrible thing if there was no sorrow because the one that passed was not loved.*  
*Wayne and Sandi Christensen*

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**Wayne Christensen** - October 14, 2014 at 09:27 PM