



Nancy R. Kelly

November 24, 2022

Nancy Rose Kelly, 82, of sunny Buckeye AZ, passed away on November 24th, 2022, surrounded by her loving family. Nancy, born on October 4th, 1940, to the late Eric and Geneva Lincoln in Chehalis, WA immediately brought joy into the world. Nancy was involved in school, became a cheerleader and went on to graduate from Tenino High School in 1958.

During her junior year at Tenino HS, Nancy met high school senior, Doug Kelly and the two were inseparable sweethearts from that point on. Nancy and Doug were married for over 64 years and had 3 wonderful daughters, Colleen Stormans-Diaz, Connie Johnson, and Debbie Williams. Together, they built a beautiful life while raising their daughters in Olympia, WA. In the early days, Nancy worked at Reeves Junior High and Capitol High School as ASB Secretary for several years.

Nancy and Doug always had an entrepreneurial spirit, and they bought their first business together in 1981: South Bay Market. They worked side-by-side for several years in their market growing it into a successful business. In 1998, they bought Little Rock Grocery outside of Olympia, and through their hard work and love of their community, it became another business success. Nancy enjoyed volunteering and was a Board member of the Cedar Creek Correction Center.

Throughout Nancy's life, her real passion was fitness. She loved teaching aerobics and weight training classes at the Tumwater Athletic Club, YMCA, Jubilee Clubhouse and Sun City of Indio Clubhouse. In addition, Nancy had a talent for home decorating, and every home they owned was beautifully designed. In 2016, Doug and Nancy moved from Olympia, WA to Indio, CA to enjoy their retirement in sunny southern California. In 2019, they moved to Buckeye, AZ to further enjoy their retirement years. Nancy loved her poodle Charlie who never left her side. He was her pride and joy.

The hole left by her absence is impossible to fill, she will be missed immensely.

Nancy is survived by her husband Doug Kelly, three daughters, Colleen, Connie and Debbie, her siblings: Jim Lincoln, Betty Gould and Cheryl Johnson. Grandchildren include: Lindsey and Alex Black, Jordan Williams Rodriguez, Colton Stormans, Dalton and Skyler Williams, and 3 Great Grandchildren.

In lieu of Flowers, please consider donating to the American Cancer Society as this organization was important to her.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Missing my sister is on going, a tear will fall , then turn into a smile ! She was my soft place to fall. She could make me laugh so hard! Love and hold you very close to my heart at all times. Not goodbye — but see you soon 🤔❤️❤️*

Cheryl Johnson - November 23, 2023 at 12:12 PM

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“ *Nancy was absolute perfection to me. I admired her close up and from afar. I'm sorry that we lost touch as the years went by but she was on my mind more often than not. I'll never forgot the phenomenal times we had together, and all the laughter & joy we shared in her little aerobic studio in the back of Kelly's South Bay Market. I will treasure those memories to the fullest. I also want to thank her for the kindness that she showed to my beloved son, Brian. May God bless this incredible woman and the loved ones she left behind. Rest in peace my beautiful friend.*

Donna Maria DiBucci - August 16, 2023 at 04:13 PM

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“ *Our deepest condolences go out to Doug and his three daughters Colleen, Connie and Debbie along w all his nieces and nephews and grandchildren. Nancy is deeply missed. There truly are no words for this loss. She will never be forgotten. She will be remembered especially on every Thanksgiving at each of our tables forever. No one more beautiful inside and out. RIP.*

Kathy Schneider - December 02, 2022 at 05:41 PM

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“ *My deepest condolences to Doug, Mrs. Kelly's daughters and the rest of her family and friends. My thoughts and prayers are with you all during this time.*

Ashley Keese - November 29, 2022 at 06:20 PM