



## Leslie Carlo McDaniel

May 17, 1955 - May 2, 2016

Les McDaniel, 60, passed away on Monday, May 2, 2016. Les was born May 17, 1955 in Fort Dodge, Iowa, to Carl and Maxine McDaniel. In 1970 he moved to Princeton, Idaho. He joined the Navy in 1973 and served as a radioman on the USS Robert E Lee nuclear submarine during the Vietnam era. After his service he returned to Moscow, Idaho and attended Lewis and Clark State College in Lewiston, Idaho. He graduated with an associate degree in Applied Science in Consumer Electronics and Radio Communications. In 1978 he met Cecilia Kopczynski and the two were married August 18, 1979 in Moscow, Idaho.

Les moved to Oregon in 1984. He loved being a father. His daughter, Mylinda McDaniel, was born in 1984 and his son Thomas joined the family in 1985. The family lived in Aloha, Oregon for 18 years before moving to Oregon City, Oregon in 2002. Les worked for Integra Telecom as a circuit designer for over 20 years.

In his free time, Les enjoyed gardening, camping and boating. He also loved spending time with his family and dog, Kirby. Every summer the family would find themselves spending time on the boat and enjoyed spending time at Detroit Lake and Lake Coeur d'Alene. Les had a wonderful garden that would provide great dinners during the summer. He had a wonderful sense of humor and could often be found instigating water fights during the summer.

Les is survived by his wife of 36 years, Cecilia; daughter Mylinda; son and daughter-in-law Thomas and Christine; father Warren Iverson, sister and brother-in-law Tamy and Eric Thomsen; sister Cheryl Gilbert; sister Marsha Whittington, and multiple nieces and nephews. He is preceded in death by his mother and father, Maxine McDaniel Iverson and Carl McDaniel.

Les had an infectious, fun loving spirit that will live on with his family and friends.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Leslie Carlo McDaniel*

January 28, 2023 at 02:51 PM



“ *I'm heartbroken to see this news about Leslie . . . And my heart goes out to his family and friends.*

*We were friends from junior high in Butte (where we started a rock band that won the State Battle of the Bands in Great Falls) and stayed in touch through college after he moved to Idaho. His parents and family were wonderful, and unfortunately his father was also taken much too soon from this earth.*

*Leslie always had an upbeat spirit and a silly sense of humor. He was a kind soul and a fine trumpet player.*

*He'll always live on in the hearts and memories of those who knew and loved him . . .*

Laurie Heidt - September 15, 2016 at 08:41 AM



*Thank you Laurie, as our loss has been difficult for all of us as well...even to this day I can't believe he is gone.*

*I remember back when we lived in Butte and you both played in the band Evolution. I pulled those photos out and did some reminiscing. Not many people knew about his musical talents, as we had a lot of fun in marching band during college. We even had Dan Bukvich from Butte as our director while going to U of Idaho.*

*Thanks for your kind words and appreciate you reaching out.*

*Tamy (McDaniel) Thomsen - 5/14/19*

Tamy Thomsen - May 14, 2019 at 11:03 PM