



Derek M. DeChand

March 7, 1953 - November 7, 2024

Derek DeChand, aged 71, passed away peacefully on November 7, 2024, at Central Washington Hospital with his wife by his side. Born on March 7, 1953, in Wenatchee, to Ed and Janet DeChand, he was the oldest of four children and spent his early years in South Wenatchee. He was a 1971 graduate of Wenatchee High School. After graduation, in 1972, he joined the Navy where he was an airman stationed in Pensacola, FL until 1975.

He married the love of his life, Debbie Steffen, on October 29, 1977, in Wenatchee. He became a proud resident of Stemilt Hill where he managed, and later owned, a cherry orchard. As a young adult, he enjoyed playing softball as a slow-pitch pitcher and playing in pool league with his dad and brother. He loved traveling in his RV and going on many trips with family and friends. In recent years, he also enjoyed riding his e-bike with Debbie, and taking family and friends for drives in his side-by-side. His family was his biggest passion. Derek always had the ability to make anyone smile and had the friendliest and most forgiving heart.

Derek was preceded in death by his father, Ed DeChand. He is survived by his wife, Debbie DeChand; his children, Diana Pieratt (Zach) and Devon Kiedrowski (Kelby), and four grandchildren, Emma, Elsie, Finn, and Sawyer; his mother, Janet DeChand; a younger brother, Gregg DeChand (Cheryl); two younger sisters, Denice Stewart (Stan) and Gloria DeChand (Carl Keen); and many nieces, nephews, and cousins.

Family and friends are invited to Sage Hills Church, 1601 5th Street

Wenatchee, WA, at 11:00 am on Friday, December 6, 2024, to reminisce and honor the life of Derek. There will be a reception following the service at the Kiedrowski residence on Stemilt Hill for anyone that would like to attend.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life Service

DEC 6. 11:00 AM (PT)

Sage Hills Church
1601 Fifth St
Wenatchee, WA 98801

Tribute Wall



“ 59 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Jones & Jones~Betts Funeral Home - December 04, 2024 at 01:19 PM

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“ *Kim & Brad purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Derek M. DeChand.*



Kim & Brad - December 04, 2024 at 02:22 AM

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“ *Torres Family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Derek M. DeChand.*



Torres Family - December 03, 2024 at 07:59 PM



“ *Peaceful White Lilies Basket was purchased for the family of Derek M. DeChand.* ”



December 02, 2024 at 03:59 PM