



Mary Lou Rasmussen

January 3, 1943 - October 6, 2022

Mary Louise Rasmussen, 79, Bend, Oregon, died October 6, 2022, in her home with family present.

Mary Lou was born on January 3, 1943, in Chicago, Illinois, to Leonard and Catherine Tucker. She was the second of four children. She grew up in Chicago and attended Mercy High School, graduating in 1960. She met her husband, Tom, on a blind date while he was on leave from the Navy. They married soon after and moved out to Oregon.

Once in Oregon, Mary Lou made the best of moving from the city's bustling life to the quiet scapes of Oregon. She became very involved as a volunteer in 4-H and loved her animals dearly. Mary Lou was the original dog and horse whisperer to all who knew her. She spent most of her life tending the home and volunteering in areas that mattered to her. She and Tom made many beautiful memories with family and friends over the years.

She is survived by her husband of 60 years, Thomas H. Rasmussen; her two children, son Andrew, "Andy" (Ammie) Rasmussen and daughter Marnee (Chad) Alfson; two grandchildren, Wade Alfson and Makenna (Shawn)

Grandmont and siblings, sister Patricia Wind, and brothers Leonard "Lenny" (Margie) Tucker, and Lawrence, "Larry" (Pattie) Tucker.

Mary Lou was laid to rest at the Greenwood Cemetery on October 13, 2022, in Bend, Oregon. There will be a celebration of life service this coming summer, on July 29th, in Bend, Oregon, at the family home. In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to Partners In Care at www.partnersbend.org/donation/ (Please copy and paste link into search bar) . This hospice organization took excellent care of Mary Lou in the last weeks of her life. She will be greatly missed.

Tribute Wall

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“ *I love those cookies!!!*

Marnee - October 17, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ *Mary Lou gave us one of our favorite recipes. No bake refrigerator cookies. I always think of Mary Lou when my grandson or my daughter are making those refrigerator cookies.*

Patti Tucker - October 15, 2022 at 12:00 AM

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“ *We are deeply sorry for your loss ~ Niswonger-Reynolds Funeral Home*

A Memorial Tree was planted for Mary Louise Rasmussen - October 14, 2022 at 12:00 AM