

# Obituaries

## Sandra Kay Norin

June 4, 1942 – April 4, 2020

Sandra Kay Norin, age 77, of Sisters died Saturday, April 4, at Country Side Living memory care facility in Redmond of complications from Lewy body disease.

Kay, a fourth generation Oregonian, was born in La Grande, Oregon on June 4, 1942, to James William “Bill” and Ruth Virginia (Murchison) Guthrie. Raised in an Air Force family, Kay grew up in Colorado, England, Alabama, Virginia, Oklahoma and Ohio. Kay graduated from the University of California at Santa Barbara with a BA in political science and subsequently obtained her teaching certificate from San Jose State University.

Kay married Bob Norin at the US Naval Postgraduate School Chapel in Monterey, California in 1966. Kay and Bob lived in New York, Switzerland, and California before settling in Tigard in 1977. Upon retirement they moved to Sisters in 2007.

Kay’s varied career included teaching elementary school and kindergarten, teaching English as a foreign language in Switzerland, drafting for an electronics company, coordinating education conferences, and managing a software training program. She spent two summers working in Yellowstone National Park.

Kay was fiercely proud of her Scottish and Quaker heritage. She traced her ancestry to nine of the 10 original



1659 settlers of Nantucket. Other ancestors came with William Penn in the late 1600s to Pennsylvania and New Jersey. In the mid 1800s her father’s family settled in Colorado and Utah, while her mother’s family came on the Oregon Trail to the Grande Ronde Valley and Baker City.

Kay was pre-deceased by her parents and her brother, David. She is survived by her husband Bob; son Troy (Tracy) of Stirling, Scotland; son Todd (Erica) of Beaverton, Oregon; granddaughter Aleksandra; sister Janis (John) Truesdell of Fernley, Nevada; and nieces and nephews.

Kay’s family will remain ever grateful to the wonderful caring staff at Country Side Living in Redmond. The family suggests remembrances be made to The Deschutes Land Trust, Partners In Care, or Thelma’s Place in Redmond.

A celebration of Kay’s life will happen when the coronavirus lockdown is lifted. In the meantime, as Kay did, her family suggests you continue to search for the perfect “Perfect Manhattan.”

## Linda Crume

March 23, 1952 – March 25, 2020

Linda Crume, a lifelong resident of the Yamhill and Forest Grove communities, died on March 25, 2020 following a courageous 13-year battle with cancer.

Linda is survived by her parents and her sister Patti Kaser (husband Jeff), all of Sisters; her husband Dennis Crume, his three children, nine grandchildren and great-granddaughter Evelyn; three aunts and numerous cousins.

Linda was born in McMinnville on March 23, 1952, to Jack and Evelyn Crumrine. She grew up in Yamhill, Oregon graduating from Yamhill-Carlton high school in 1970. Linda married Dennis Crume on July 27, 1997, surprising family members at a reunion picnic with their unexpected ceremony. She took pleasure and pride from a long career in the insurance industry, assisting clients at Bellwood Insurance, Yamhill; Hagen Hamilton Insurance, McMinnville; and Waltz Sheridan and

Crawford, Forest Grove. She obtained her Chartered Property Casualty Underwriter certification in 2000, and continued to work through much of her illness.

Linda was diagnosed with Stage 4 cancer in 2007, seven years after an initial diagnosis of breast cancer. For the next 13 years Linda bravely fought the disease with faith and determination. She committed herself to the betterment of others, participating in “Casting for Recovery,” a fly-fishing retreat focused on improving quality of life for women with breast cancer and participating in a drug study for victims of metastatic breast cancer.

Linda shared a love of the outdoors with her family and husband, camping for the first time on the Metolius River when she was just three months old and annually thereafter. Linda began fly-fishing, a passion she shared with her father, sister, and husband. These times were a treasured release from her illness and of precious connection with family.



Linda was a spiritual woman, committed to her faith and unselfish caring of others. Dennis and Linda are members of the Forest Grove Crossroads church.

A memorial service will be held following release of the current coronavirus restrictions.

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