

# Mary Christine Nerpel Smith

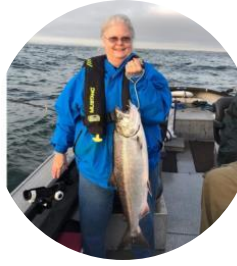
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# Mary Christine Nerpel Smith

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**M**ary Christine Nerpel Smith born November 8, 1955, in Oaks North Dakota. Mary passed away peacefully after a 2-year battle with cancer, in her sleep December 9, 2021, at her home in Oregon City, Oregon. Mary who was preceded in death by her mother Laura Funk in 2002 and her first husband Steven Smith in 2001. Mary moved from Oaks North Dakota as a child to Great Falls Montana and to Oregon City in 1974 where she graduated from Oregon city high school in 1975 and from Portland State University in 1993. Mary is survived by her husband Norman Wegner they were married February 14, 2020, her father Leon Nerpel, Brothers Leon (Kenny) Nerpel, Ludwick (George) Nerpel, sisters Peggy Jackson and Beth Dimock, sons Joshua Smith and Clifford Smith, stepson Stan Smith and stepdaughter Jody Lutz and seven grandchildren. Mary was active with her sons in Boy Scouts. Where both Joshua and Clifford obtained the rank of Eagle Scout. She went on many camping trips and hosted meetings in her home. She was active with the Oregon City transportation and planning committee as a volunteer for many years. After many years in private industry as a bookkeeper she went to work for the State of Oregon working her way to being the Banking Manager for PERS where she retired in 2020. Mary ran a tax preparation business with her brother Kenny for many years in Oregon City. Mary enjoyed entertaining family and friends for BBQs and holiday dinners at her home in Oregon City. She also enjoyed camping while joining Norman and his family on hunting trips, cooking, and introducing them to Dutch oven cooking over an open fire. She enjoyed annual trips to Astoria for salmon fishing at B10 always out fishing the guys. Mary enjoyed girls only fishing trips with guide David Johnson where she made many new fishing friends. Mary was a huge supporter of veterans. Mary who will be missed by everyone who knew her. In lieu of flowers please make donations to Wounded Warriors or American Cancer Society



## Tribute Wall

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GE

**George** posted:

A candle was lit in memory of Mary Nerpel Smith

January 22 at 4:42 AM

LN

**L. George Nerpel** posted:

So many years and memories; people frequently thought that Mary was older than me. She was the mother hen long before she was a mother. Thank you for being there to help me through out our lives together.

January 10 at 8:25 AM

LN

**L. George Nerpel** posted:

I think of two Dolly Parton songs: It's like a hard candy Christmas and "I will always love you"

January 10 at 5:12 AM

BD

**Beth Dimock** posted:

A candle was lit in memory of Mary Nerpel Smith

January 9 at 11:26 AM

JS

**Julie Sterrett** posted:

Mary was a wonderful boss who helped me to go back to school and finish my degree in Accounting. I'm grateful for her mentorship. I will never forget our meetings that turned into long talks about our families. She will be very missed.

December 30 at 3:10 AM

RO

**Rosanne** posted:

Mary lived "got your back". She encouraged, mentored, cajoled and supported anyone who would let her in. An amazing boss, an amazing teacher, an amazing friend and amazing person. You will be missed, Your memory is indeed a blessing.

December 29 at 3:30 PM



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RO

**Rosanne** posted:

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December 29 at 3:22 PM

WC

**Walter Colton** posted:

Mary and I had many memorable long talks about our families and our children. My favorite Manager and a good friend. She will be missed.

December 28 at 3:17 PM

JB

**Johnna Bergman** posted:

Mary believed in me and supported me. She was by far, the best boss I have ever had. She was a friend and a mentor who I grew to love and will miss always. I admired her grit and her ability to yield but not break in the face of adversity. I am happy she is now with her mother who she has missed.

December 28 at 12:27 PM

TC

**Tiffany Chau** posted:

Mary, I miss you! You are a great boss and you have taught me a lot in the work process

December 28 at 5:25 AM

TI

**Tiffany** posted:

Mary, I miss you! You are a great boss and you have taught me a lot in the work process

December 28 at 5:24 AM

PH

**Phyllis** posted:

Mary was my friend as well as my boss. She supported me and helped me progress at work and was always in my corner. I miss her greatly. God bless

December 27 at 8:24 AM



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PL

**Prinzing Lynne** posted:

Mary and I may have never seen eye-to-eye at work but she was one of the greatest bosses I've ever had.

December 24 at 9:48 AM

PL

**Prinzing Lynne** posted:

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December 24 at 9:47 AM

PL

**Prinzing Lynne** posted:

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December 24 at 8:26 AM

LC

**Lynette Coffman** posted:

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December 24 at 1:11 AM

LC

**Lynette Coffman** posted:

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December 24 at 1:10 AM

LB

**Linda M Barnett** posted:

Mary was a very special friend that will always be in my memories. We share a love for the ballet and art. I'm especially grateful for the friendship we shared and will miss her.

December 23 at 7:26 PM

CO

**Connie** posted:

Mary was a beautiful and caring person. I was blessed to have known her.

December 22 at 8:02 AM



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SB

**Sherri Brasell** posted:

I will always think of Mary as a generous woman with mad fishing skills, superb cooking gifts, great hearty laughs, and supreme love and kindness. She brought a great deal to my life, and I will forever love and remember her.

December 21 at 8:10 PM

DS

**Desiree Smith** posted:

She was the best Mother-in-law. She was always there when I would need someone to talk to. We went on so many school trips, school games, and events together. We always had a blast. I will miss our talks about everything and anything. She was such a fighter and someone I will always look up to.

December 21 at 6:38 PM

SM

**Shannon Mallory** posted:

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December 21 at 3:23 PM

LL

**Laurie Lynch** posted:

Mary~I miss you so much. You brought the fun to whatever was happening. Remember me telling you and Norm about my potato sack catching on fire in the microwave ðŹ¸, and then the same thing happened to you ðŹ¸. Seriously though you were such a great cook, you threw the best BBQ'S, made some of the best food ever! I promise we'll keep an eye on Norm for you, and I'll miss you every day♥ï,

December 21 at 1:24 PM

NW

**Norman Wegner** posted:

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December 21 at 1:17 PM



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MD

**Mark Dunham** posted:

I offer friendship in your time of grief. And celebrate Mary's life.

December 21 at 12:40 PM

NW

**Norman Wegner** posted:

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December 21 at 12:26 PM



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