



Walter Byron Childs

December 2, 1960 - June 1, 2020

59 year old Yreka resident Walter Byron Childs passed away on June 1, 2020 at his home with his loving wife by his side.

Walter was born on December 2, 1960 in Beaumont, Texas to Harold Childs and Barbara Childs (Reck). He served in the United States Navy from 1980-1986 on board the USS Mauna Kea, and moved to Yreka from Lincoln City, Oregon. While in Lincoln City, he worked in maintenance for the Salishan Resort, where he met his soon-to-be-wife, Gail Marie Joy, who also worked at the resort. When Walter and Gail moved to Yreka in 2003, Walter took up work in maintenance for Wal-Mart, and had been there since.

Walter liked everything: swimming, fishing, visiting with people, fixing things, outdoor activities, indoor activities, and the like. He was curious about everything – a student of life. His favorite hiking places were on the Oregon Coast, around Lincoln City and Newport. Walter was a neat freak who kept his home organized and tidy. He was a member of Grenada Berean Church, where he and Gail made many friends over the years.

Walter is survived by his wife of nearly 11 years, Gail; her daughter Loretta Williams of Medford, Diana Sparks, who is considered a daughter, of Fort Jones; two brothers, Eddy and Roy Rush; grandchildren Pria Rodgers, Brittany, Brianna, Steven, and Andrew Sparks, and 2 great-grandchildren; a

niece and nephew Brandon and Kayla Rush.

Walter will be laid to rest at Eagle Point National Cemetery.

Tribute Wall



“ *Angela Stretz lit a candle in memory of Walter Byron Childs*



Angela Stretz - June 20, 2020 at 08:28 PM



“ *Judy Crook lit a candle in memory of Walter Byron Childs*



Judy Crook - June 05, 2020 at 05:26 PM