



## Brian Charles Wilson

March 24, 1953 - January 1, 2024

Brian C Wilson of Moses Lake passed away knowing he was loved with his wife by his side in the early morning hours of January 1, 2024.

Brian was born March 24, 1953, to Ann and Chuck Wilson in Ritzville. He spent his childhood in Moses Lake with his brothers, exploring the fields near their home, playing baseball at Knolls Vista, and fishing down by the lake.

Summers were always spent with Grandma Rose at the family's cabin in Loon Lake, which he later enjoyed with his own family.

In high school, Brian met Tami, and their love story began with an invitation to the Sweetheart dance. They married in 1973 and had two children, Courtney and Brady. Brian worked at Lakeside Optical as an optician for over 40 years and eventually co-owned the business with friend Kevin Carvo.

He loved his children and grandchildren and was very involved in everything they did. He was Courtney's softball coach for many years and enjoyed playing softball himself. Brian was instrumental in the improvements of Larson Play Field, digging holes for the light posts and painting the sponsorship signs. His true passion was duck hunting with Brady and his valued friend, Mike Hymes. He loved the Lind Coulee and spent many years hunting there. Brian and Tami had many close friends who have become family. The stories about his friendships and their shenanigans are legendary. I think everyone knows about the iconic "Screwy Lewis and the Bad News" performance at the Miss Moses Lake pageant in 1987. He also spent many years serving the community through the Lions Club.

Brian was a strong man with integrity, endless patience, and perfectly timed one-line jokes. He left us with a lifetime of stories to tell. His infectious smile and loving eyes will be engrained in our memories. We could not have asked for a better husband, father, and grandfather.

Brian is survived by his mother, Ann Wilson, and wife of 50 years, Tami Wilson. His children Courtney (Fred) Balderas and Brady (Katie) Wilson. His Grandchildren Alyssa, Sydney, Kenadee, Jordan Balderas, and Lennon and Cohen Wilson. His brothers David (Delores) Wilson, Michael (Janice) Wilson and Lynn (Glory) Wilson. His brothers-in-law, Michael (Chris) Munson and Tony (Carol) Munson, along with many nieces and nephews.

Brian was preceded in death by his father, Charles Wilson.

Please join us Friday, January 12th , at Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church for services to honor Brian's life. Rosary will start at 10:30am, services at 11:00am, and reception will follow. Service will be livestreamed at <https://olf.church/>

Our Lady of Fatima  
200 N Dale Road  
Moses Lake, WA 98837

# Previous Events

## Rosary

JAN 12. 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM (PT)

Our Lady of Fatima Catholic Church  
200 N. Dale Road  
Moses Lake, WA

## Mass

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# Tribute Wall

TT

“ Terry Thomas lit a candle in memory of Brian Wilson



Terry Simons Thomas - January 25, 2024 at 07:01 PM

JE

“ Tami, Courtney, and Brandi So sad for Brian's passing ..hard times for sure . Sending gods peace and love your way .. Jan Engel

Jan Engel - January 12, 2024 at 04:18 PM

LS

“ Larry Janice Sieg lit a candle in memory of Brian Wilson



Larry & Janice Sieg - January 11, 2024 at 08:09 PM

CE

“ I'm so sorry for your loss, I was always happy to run into Brian and Tami as they were both so pleasant and easy to talk to. Tami babysat for me and was such a sweet gal, I named my daughter after her. My son was ringbearer at their wedding but it doesn't seem possible it was 50 years ago! You will be missed Brian. Cheryl

Cheryl Elkins - January 10, 2024 at 07:55 PM

TC

“ Brian was such a great guy to have had the absolute pleasure of growing up around. My heart aches for all the Wilson Family during this time.



*I will never forget the Summers at Loon Lake, the laughter and awesome memories that were made.*

*Thank you for being an awesome roll model and positive addition to any situation.*

*Rest well, Mr. Wilson.*

*Troy Cox and Family*

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**Troy Cox** - January 10, 2024 at 10:05 AM

TA

“ Trina Alfaro lit a candle in memory of Brian Wilson



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**Trina Alfaro** - January 08, 2024 at 02:24 PM

KH

“ Looking outside on this winter day with the ice forming on the lake and the wind starting to blow leaves me wanting yet another chance to spend a day in the blind with Brian. We were lucky enough to hunt together for over 30 years, sharing so many incredible days in search of ducks. The preparation, and the hours of discussion about weather, feeding patterns, decoy setups and the time of the morning to get started will be just a few things that I will miss from not having Brian as my partner.

*Brian always was so optimistic about our chances of success and what we had to do at times to get into position to hunt. I could tell stories for hours about our adventures. One that comes to mind involved dragging a boat and decoys over a mile through 8 inches of snow and lowering it over a cliff to find water on the Coulee. We left that boat in place for the next 3 weeks and enjoyed incredible hunts. The trip back out at the end of the season, over the ice, was another story.*

*As with anything that involves cold temperatures, water, ice, dogs and other variables, things broke and repairs were needed. Brian was the original MacGyver. He was always coming up with a fix or an invention of his own to try. Most of them did work. I will miss my friend and I will believe he has just left me the message, “Gone Hunting!”*

*Mike Hymes*

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**Kathy Hymes** - January 07, 2024 at 10:52 PM

JA

“ I had the honor of working with Brian and Kevin for over 20 years- his kindness to everyone at Columbia Basin Eye Clinic and to all of our shared patients was a true gift. He will be missed by so many. Many prayers to Tami and family- Janet Huber-Terry and Rocky Terry

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**Janet** - January 07, 2024 at 12:01 PM

BO

“ Tami I am so saddened by Brains passing. I have known the Wilson family since we moved to Moses Lake in 1957. Being we lived so close to each other as kids there weren't many days we weren't outside doing something.

As good as some families are Brian was a great example of the best of them.

There is so much I would love to share about Brian but to often I can't always find the right words that would best describe how good this man was. It saddens me saying this in the past tense. Because we lost another good person.

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**Bob** - January 06, 2024 at 01:17 AM

DT

“ i was a great freind

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**Darrell Templeton** - January 05, 2024 at 08:06 PM