



## Martha "Mardi" Carroll

November 20, 1947 - February 14, 2024

On Wednesday, February 14, 2024, loving mother and grandmother, Martha "Mardi" Ann Carroll (Trask) passed away at the age of 76 in Ephrata, WA.

Born

in Hanau, Germany on November 20, 1947; Mardi was born by the name Brigitte

Maria to Elise Liselotte Ruffer. In search for a better life for her daughter, Mardi's

birth mother placed her for adoption at a very young age where she finally found

her forever home with her parents, Raymond Harrison and Lucia Elizabeth Trask

in Moses Lake, WA. Growing up in Mae Valley, she enjoyed country life especially riding her horse. In 1966, Mardi graduated Moses Lake High School

and spent the majority of her life living in Moses Lake until she finally retired to Ephrata, WA. She spent the span of her working years in the service industry and spent her retired years in the service of others. During her life, she served in

many roles and positions to honor our American Veteran's and the Ephrata community. Most recently she was a 20+ year member of the American Legion

Auxiliary, the 9th District Women's Auxiliary President, President of the

Ephrata

Historical Society, the Secretary of the Columbia Basin Carriage Club,  
Secretary

and founding member of her Chip Toss league and was a previous long time member of the Soap Lake Rod and Gun Club. Mardi was a lover of animals, especially basset hounds and could very often be heard jokingly saying she liked them more than most people. She loved to camp, travel, the color purple as shown by her signature purple hair streak and found the ocean as her happy

place. A lifelong football fan, she was always willing to bet a friendly wager on any game and could almost daily be seen wearing something with her beloved Seattle Seahawks. Most importantly she will be remembered as an amazing mother, grandmother, friend and confidant who was always willing to listen to someone, offer advice, a big hug and if you were lucky enough, a big kiss.

She

loved her son immensely and her grandchildren even more. Her lifelong friendship was Jean Fleming that spanned many decades and sadly joined her

in the tragic accident that led to their passing. Mardi was preceded in death by her parents Ray Trask and Lucia Trask-Engles (Hughes). She is survived by her

son and daughter-in-law, Michael and Terra Carroll (Dowers) and grandchildren

Tyler Scott, Grant Harrison and Abigail Elizabeth Carroll.

A Celebration of Life for both Mardi and Jean is set for April 20th, 2024 at 11:00am at the Ephrata Recreation Center, 112 Basin St SW, Ephrata, WA 98823. Food will be provided. Please come to share in fellowship and memories

to honor these two remarkable women. Mardi's final resting place will be at the Pacific Ocean to return her one final time to where she always felt at peace.

Condolences can be sent to: Michael Carroll, 9518 N. Atlantic, Spokane, WA

99218. Donations in memory can be sent to: American Legion Post 28, PO  
Box

904, Ephrata, WA 98823 (or) Fibrolamellar Cancer Foundation, 20 Horseneck  
Lane, 2nd Floor, Greenwich, CT 06830.

# Previous Events

## Celebration of Life

APR **20**. 11:00 AM (PT)

Ephrata Recreation Center  
112 Basin St SW  
Ephrata, WA 98823

# Tribute Wall

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“Mardi was such a blessing to our family and especially for the care and friendship with my Dad. Her dedication to the American Legion was incredible, which showed her love and appreciation for the people she came in contact with. We so enjoyed our moments with Mardi when she accompanied my Dad on trips to Southern California and on the trips to the coast. We will miss her very much. Our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends. In this time of sorrow, our thoughts and prayers are with you.

*Pam & Kelly McCarty*

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**Kelly McCarty** - April 13, 2024 at 02:50 PM

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*Both of these fine ladies will be surely missed. Lovely smiles, the laughter, oh! the stories. Mardi loved her family with all of her heart. My heartfelt sympathy to family and friends. All my thoughts and prayers are with you all.*

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**Margie Bocook** - April 17, 2024 at 06:11 PM

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“Miss my best friend. We were so much alike. We used to laugh when we knew we were thinking the same things. She so much looked forward to our road trips. Still doing them but there is someone missing in the front seat. Rest in peace. Love you forever.

*Kathy & George*

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**Kathy Garrett** - April 05, 2024 at 07:28 PM