



## Peny Rae Archer

August 1, 1960 - January 5, 2025

Peny Rae (Massie) Archer was born on August 1st, 1960, in Belle Fourche South Dakota. She moved to Moses Lake with her parents and sister in 1973. She graduated with her GED from Moses Lake High School in 1978, began her adult working career as a Dispatcher with AAA Readymix, and then married her soulmate and the love of her life, Richard Archer, on March 11, 1983.

Her strong will and personality were as endless and beautiful as the Moses Lake Sand Dunes. In 1990 Peny & Rich were instrumental in founding the Moses Lake Sand Scorpions off-road group. She put in countless hours helping to keep the dunes open, and in the beginning, she was the brains behind the financial and family events for the club. Back in those days you could always find them in the dunes by spotting their old red bronco or bright blue sand rail.

On any given Sunday she could be found at home surrounded by every bit of extended family having brunch. After renewing their vows at 25 years of marriage in 2008, she fondly became known as Spear Chucker, and she sure had a clan of people that loved her. Friday nights were her Chicos pizza nights and Saturday she had to have her prime rib with horseradish.

She was always up and awake before 5 in the morning, taking her coffee

black, and with that she had the energy to get working. Peny has been with Community Services of Moses Lake since 1999. In 2005 she was promoted to the Assistant Executive Director. She has been the Operations Manager at the Food Bank since 2010. Peny had endless energy and passion for helping people. She always seemed to be the first one to jump up and help or give to anyone that she cared about.

Her passion for the cause transformed the food bank from what it was on Marina Dr. into her favorite and final project on Beacon Rd. She spent countless hours writing grants with a team including senator Judy Warnick to build the significant distribution center on the land donated to CSML by the Marchand Charitable Trust, which currently serves over 40 food banks in five counties. It was only the beginning to an even larger plan of hers to help bring food and services to the struggling families and individuals of our beloved community. Even after her terminal cancer diagnosis she refused to retire.

Peny was always so worried about taking care of others that in the event of her death she requested that any useable organs be donated. Her beautiful green eyes went to the Lions World Vision Institute.

Peny is preceded in death by her parents Clyde and Shirley Massie of Kennewick, WA. and Richard's parents Norbert and Rosalie Archer of Moses Lake, WA.

She is survived by her huge clan: Her loving husband Richard Archer, their children, Jessica (Jeremiah) Starkweather, Donavyn (Donald) Rhyne, Lexie (Rocky) Wilson of Lubbock, TX, & Cody Archer. They had 13 grandchildren and several great grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister Pamela (John) Rosas, in-laws Pamela (James) Lybbert, Michael Archer, Donald (Cindy) Archer, Tereica (Dave) Kaumheimer, Connie Baxter, and many nieces and nephews.

Verbally or physically, she was a scrappy protector and a guard dog, just like her favorite cowboy, John Wayne. She had a knack for bringing in people and giving them love as if they were her own. Among those is Andrew Surface, who the family would like to personally thank for helping so much during her final days.

In the end she requested a family dinner set for January 5th, 2025, and after a full day of reminiscing and heartfelt goodbyes, she passed away peacefully at 10:30 p.m., surrounded by a house full of family. She was dressed in a beautiful yet comfy purple outfit, wearing her favorite Vanderbilt perfume, and with a flower in her hair.

At her request, please skip the flowers this time though and donate to the Moses Lake Food Bank for Building 4 or volunteer for a few hours to help continue her legacy of servitude. A celebration of life will be scheduled at a later.

# Tribute Wall

AP

“ *Angela Pedersen lit a candle in memory of Peny Archer*



Angela Pedersen - February 22, 2025 at 07:44 PM

TA

“ *Trina Alfaro lit a candle in memory of Peny Archer*



Trina Alfaro - January 14, 2025 at 10:19 PM

SE

“ *Susie Ellis lit a candle in memory of Peny Archer*



Susie Ellis - January 14, 2025 at 05:21 PM

RV

“ *Rich Victor lit a candle in memory of Peny Archer*



Rich Victor - January 14, 2025 at 09:48 AM

AR

“Peny was always smiling, when we would come to the food bank to check on our students. She was so patient with them. She always had kind words to share and was always giving to our students in need. She will definitely be missed.

Aishya Ransom - January 11, 2025 at 10:18 PM

LR

“Peny was quite the go-getter and when she set her mind on something she needed or wanted, she figured out a way to reach those goals. She loved her husband & family deeply and used that energy to spread among others who were in need. May she Rest in Peace 💖



Leslie Richardson - January 09, 2025 at 12:52 PM

JA

Mary was such a amazing lady she will be missed and loved she was such a wonderful lady she will be missed

jean agbisit - January 12, 2025 at 07:22 PM

JP

“I Love You Peny.

Jennifer Pugh - January 09, 2025 at 04:24 AM

NB

“Deepest and sincere condolences to her loving family. Prayers to helping them heal from their loss. God bless you all.

Nora Bowman - January 09, 2025 at 03:59 AM

NB

“ *Nora Bowman lit a candle in memory of Penny Archer*



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**Nora Bowman** - January 09, 2025 at 03:56 AM



“ *She truly did make everybody feel special. She was a very unique lady that will be truly missed. My heart felt condolences to everyone that knew her had a chance to be friends with her to be part of her family. You all got to enjoy knowing a very unique lady that the world will never forget and so many people were grateful for! God bless you, Penny May you rest in peace! My condolences to you all. Love and prayers*

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**Shantel Melvin-Canez** - January 08, 2025 at 10:33 PM