



Lori Lynette Martinen

June 13, 1960 - February 12, 2025

Lori Lynette Martinen, 64, of Toppenish, Washington was born June 13, 1960 and passed away unexpectedly, February 12, 2025, at Multicare Memorial.

Lori was born to Delmar and Charlene Bangs just shy of their first anniversary June 20th in Toppenish, WA. A few years later, her baby brother Stephen was born. Lori grew up and lived in Toppenish all of her life. She spent her childhood playing with her brother Stephen and cousin Glen "Little Raymond" Bangs. She had many fond memories of time spent with her grandparents, swim team, and cheerleading and canning fruits and vegetables with her parents and grandparents. Lori graduated from Toppenish High School in 1978. During her senior year she began working at Central Valley Bank, continuing to work there for many years, later moving on to Catholic Credit Union. After leaving the banking industry, she worked at Skone and Connor's until staying home to raise her children. Lori often talked about Skone and Connor's and how it was the best job she ever had.

Lori met Eric Martinen and they began dating in 1982 and were married March 21, 1987 at Holy Resurrection Catholic Church. The two shared a wonderful life together raising their daughters, Julie and Beth, and were so excited for the new chapter in their lives, as Eric retired July 31 from 45 years at his family's business, Ideal Lumber and Hardware.

Lori loved being a mother and was fantastic at it. The amount of time, effort, and love she put into her mothering was immeasurable. Lori was known for her cooking and her love of acts of service, care, and sharing with others. Lori was promoted to Grandma in 2019 and fell naturally into her role. She was lovingly known as “Mimi” or “Mim” for short by her grandchildren. Lori was a constant in her grandchildren's lives and watched them during the day while their parents worked, as well as organized and hosted numerous impromptu sleepovers. Mimi would often say “My littles won't want to do this forever, so I will take all the sleepovers I can.” There was not anything she wouldn't do for Ridge, Andrew, Jenna and Lauren. They will deeply miss her loving presence in their lives.

Lori is survived by her husband, Eric Martinen, Mother, Charlene Bangs, Brother, Stephen (Tammy) Bangs, daughter, Julie Martinen and daughter, Beth (Adam) Sandoval, 4 grandchildren with one expected in July of 2025 and numerous nieces and nephews.

Lori is preceded in death by her Father, Delmar Bangs, Grandparents, Lloyd and Catherine Bangs, and Conrad and Stella Wentz.

Graveside services will be held at 11am on Thursday, February 20, 2025 at the Zillah Cemetery. Luncheon to follow at Zillah Civic Center.

Cemetery Details

Zillah City Cemetery

1st Avenue
Zillah, WA

Previous Events

Graveside Service

FEB 20. 11:00 AM (PT)

Zillah City Cemetery
1st Avenue
Zillah, WA

Tribute Wall

DS

“ Words cannot express the pain of losing your loved one. We are so sorry for your grief and loss. May you find comfort knowing a lot of people grieve with you. 🥹🥹🥹 Don and Gertha Schlenker.



Don & Gertha Schlenker - February 23, 2025 at 09:00 PM

SL

“ Our thoughts are of you
Our prayers are for you
Our hearts are with you
Our deepest condolences
From Steve and Deanna Lamebull, Betty and Cathy Carl

Steve and Deanna Lamebull - February 20, 2025 at 11:53 AM

DJ

“ Many condolences to Eric & his family. All our thoughts & prayers are with you. From all your fishing buddies



Don Judd - February 19, 2025 at 09:45 PM

DH

“ Dolores Hutchinson lit a candle in memory of Lori Lynette Martinen



Dolores Hutchinson - February 19, 2025 at 08:25 PM

WF

“ With love from the Ideal Lumber family purchased the Sentiments of Serenity Spray for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



With love from the Ideal Lumber family - February 19, 2025 at 03:05 PM

WF

“ With love from the Ideal Lumber family planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lori Lynette Martinen.

With love from the Ideal Lumber family - February 19, 2025 at 03:05 PM

AM

“ Alisa M. planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Lori Lynette Martinen.

Alisa M. - February 19, 2025 at 12:19 AM

KR

“ Kelly Rosenow purchased the Beautiful Heart Bouquet for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



Kelly Rosenow - February 18, 2025 at 10:10 PM



“ *Pink Potpourri Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.*



February 18, 2025 at 05:04 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lori Lynette Martinen.

February 18, 2025 at 05:04 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.*



February 18, 2025 at 12:23 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lori Lynette Martinen.

February 18, 2025 at 12:23 PM

AB

“ With deepest sympathy.
Ann & Bill



Ann Broderson - February 17, 2025 at 11:49 PM

MM

“ Eric, Carlene, Steve, and family,
We were so saddened to hear of Lori passing away, I have good memories of working with her, and Eric, all your help and kindness from you both.
May love, faith, and memories, in time help you in your journey of healing.
Marvina and Bryan

Marvina Mcdonald - February 17, 2025 at 07:20 PM

CJ

“ Eric, Charlene, and family's,
There are no words at this time that can reach or ease your pain at such a devastating loss for all of you, and Lori also, with a life ended way to soon, of someone who gave so much, enjoyed our so much. It's said, that God has a plan for all of us, but for now that does not touch your pain or shock, but may later help with your grief and healing.
Lori left behind cherished memories, great love, that she shared and was a part of with and for all of you.
It's hard to forget someone who meant so much, but may Lori's love, in time, bring comfort and healing.
Our deepest sympathy,
Jerry and Carol Johnson and family

Carol Johnson - February 16, 2025 at 02:45 PM

CH

“ Carol Omlin Hoffman purchased the *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum* for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



Carol Omlin Hoffman - February 16, 2025 at 12:23 PM

JD

“ I am so sorry to her of Lori’s passing, praying for the whole families. May God heal your hearts 💕💕



Jeni Doolin - February 15, 2025 at 01:06 PM



“ Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



February 14, 2025 at 11:49 PM



“ A [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) was planted in honor of Lori Lynette Martinen.

February 14, 2025 at 11:49 PM

KL

“ *Charlene, Eric, Julie, Beth, and Grandbabies- Our hearts go out to each of you during this difficult time. Lori was a very ,caring lady. She took pride in her relationships with all.*

Your daughter, wife, mother, or grandmother was very special. Not only to her family, but to friends , and relatives alike! Her many other acquaintances (too)were treated with kindness and respect. :)

Lori was a very special gift to all that knew her. God has welcomed an angel to his kingdom.

Blessing and prayers,

Richard and Karen Lommers



Katen Lommers - February 14, 2025 at 09:24 PM

BO

“ *Bernice G Owens lit a candle in memory of Lori Lynette Martinen*



Bernice G Owens - February 14, 2025 at 04:46 PM

CM

“ *Sorry to hear of your loss, Eric. I never had the privilege of knowing your wife but I'm sure she was wonderful. I am praying for you and your family. I believe I had your mom for a teacher in the 7th grade. I remember you from school and football. May you find comfort this time of sadness. Charlie Meigs*

Charlie Meigs - February 14, 2025 at 04:37 PM

DS

“ Doug and Pam Soehl, purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



Doug and Pam Soehl, - February 14, 2025 at 02:44 PM

TG

“ Eric I was bless knowing Lori ,such a amazing women always ,so kind,..she will always be remembered..💔

Tony giron - February 14, 2025 at 02:23 PM

JK

“ Eric, I never got to meet Lori. But I do remember playing with you when we were kids; and we visited Joe and Barbara. God bless you and the family in this time. - Cousin-in-law John King

John E King - February 14, 2025 at 01:47 PM

TG

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Tony giron - February 14, 2025 at 02:21 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



February 14, 2025 at 11:55 AM



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February 14, 2025 at 11:55 AM



“ Dear Eric, Julie, Beth and family, I remember you guys as a wonderful and loving family. And Lori was a great neighbor always happy to talk and laugh, brightening my day. I cannot imagine the pain and heartache you're feeling. Praying for your peace and comfort.

Yvana Iovino - February 14, 2025 at 11:03 AM



“ Lori was always a such an uplifting person that always made you feel good.

Johnny and Nancy Charron - February 13, 2025 at 11:02 PM



“ Lori was the first person I trusted to take care of my first born. I was so hesitant to put her in daycare, and when Lori offered to care for her, my heart knew this was the perfect person for the job. She was caring, loving and took the best care of Kennedy. I know she was the best mother to her girls, it was obvious. She will be so greatly missed. Love to all of you.

The Tri Family

Lisa Tri - February 13, 2025 at 10:05 PM

ST

“ Susie Tynan lit a candle in memory of Lori Lynette Martinen



Susie Tynan - February 13, 2025 at 08:47 PM

ST

Deepest condolences to the family

Susie Tynan - February 13, 2025 at 08:48 PM

GS

Thoughts and prayers for the family

Glen and Jill Schaefer - February 13, 2025 at 09:27 PM

GS

Lit a candle in memory of Lori martinen

Glen and Jill Schaefer - February 13, 2025 at 09:29 PM

MO

My thoughts and prayers go out to her family and friends. 🙏

Michele Oldham - February 13, 2025 at 09:57 PM

CA

“ Cheryl Affholter lit a candle in memory of Lori Lynette Martinen



Cheryl Affholter - February 13, 2025 at 08:04 PM



“ *Fairest of All* was purchased for the family of Lori Lynette Martinen.



February 13, 2025 at 07:59 PM