



Leonard Scott Ross

July 7, 1960 - December 16, 2024

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Leonard Scott Ross, who passed away of natural causes in his Ephrata home on December 16, 2024. He was 64 years old.

Len, as he was fondly called by family and friends, was born on July 7, 1960 to Ed and Irene Ross in Seattle, WA. He grew up in Marysville, WA with his two older sisters (Vicky and Deb) until the age of 10. His family moved to Central Washington in 1970, first to Quincy and finally made Ephrata home in 1971. Len attended both Middle School and High School in Ephrata, graduating from High School in 1978. He attended Washington State University for a short period in 1981/82, but never received a degree.

Len was a hardworking and dedicated individual who excelled in anything he tried. He can best be described as a Jack of All Trades. He worked as a laborer, forklift operator, handyman, woodworker, and installer. He spent 12 years working for the City of Seattle Parks and Recreation, first as a Golf Course Greenskeeper and later as an Installation Maintenance Worker. Before leaving the City of Seattle in 2019, Len spent several years commuting between Seattle and Ephrata to help provide home care for his parents in Ephrata. After moving to Ephrata full time in 2019, Len worked at the Grant County Historical Museum, where he was most proud of his work refurbishing and adding new names to the Museum Boardwalk.

In his free time, Len enjoyed hiking, camping, skiing, drawing, painting, writing and reading a good book. He had a great sense of humor and always knew how to put a smile on everyone's face. He will always be remembered for being a member of the Chilian Bobsled Team while sledding with family and friends at his sister Deb's condo. During his time living in the Wallingford area of Seattle, Len was often found at Kate's Pub, enjoying a cold beer and visiting with friends, old and new. He was an avid follower of the Mariners, Seahawks, Sonics, and WSU Cougars. He would talk sports with anyone. He was always willing to share his knowledge and experiences with others.

Len was preceded in death by his sister Vicky in 1988, his father Ed in 2018, and his mother Irene in 2020. He is survived by his sister Deb (Craig) Fairclough of Kalispell, MT, nephew Kris (Tabitha) Raber (Vicky's son) of Bakersfield, CA, niece Amanda Raber (Vicky's daughter) of Spokane, WA, niece Nicole Fairclough and nephew Kramer (Taylor) Fairclough, both of Kalispell, MT. He will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

No funeral service has been announced at this time. The family requests that donations be made to the Grant County Historical Museum, in memory of Len.