



Vicki Dale Weitzel

March 18, 1956 - March 9, 2025

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Vicki Weitzel, a longtime resident of Grant County, passed away on March 9, 2025 surrounded by her family after a long hard-fought battle with Vascular Dementia.

Vicki was born to William Ennis Autry Jr and Ara Juanita Cox in Big Springs, Texas on March 18, 1956. The middle of three children, she moved with her family around Texas until 1963 when her father was transferred to Ephrata for his job at the US Soil Conservation Service.

After Vicki graduated from Ephrata High school in 1974, she attended college courses at Big Bend Community College and worked at U&I Sugar as a lab technician.

In 1977 she went on a chance double date where she met the love of her life James Andrew Weitzel. The two married in November 1978, and made their home on a small farm near George, WA. Over the next decades Vicki wore many hats- bookkeeper, tax expert, homemaker, partner, and friend. Her proudest title was that of mother to their three children.

In 2006 Jim and Vicki decided to “retire” and sell the farm to move closer to Ephrata. It was there they built their dream home. Vicki worked at Ephrata

Walmart as a cashier, and later photo lab technician. She enjoyed seeing her regular customers and the many friends she made while working there.

In 2020 Jim and Vicki decided to finally fully retire. It was then that she found her greatest joy- to spend time with her grandsons and granddaughter. She also enjoyed cooking, crocheting, Sudoku puzzles, her dogs, and camping in their motorhome.

Vicki is survived by her husband of 46 years James Andrew Weitzel, sons Jeremy (Jennifer) Weitzel, Bradley Weitzel, Nicholas Weitzel, as well as 5 grandsons and 1 granddaughter. She is also survived by her older brother William (Christine) Autry III, younger sister Diane (Fritz) Clark, and the numerous in-laws and friends that love her dearly.

Vicki is preceded in death by her parents.

Vicki will always be remembered for her unshakeable determination, quick wit, and most of all her love for her family and friends. While we are saddened that she is gone from this world, we are relieved that she is finally in peace with the Lord and back to the person we always knew her to be. She truly conquered this horrible disease, and we are so very proud of her for that.

We would like to thank Harold and Betty at the Coolidge House for their love and care in the final chapter in Vicki's life.

A graveside service will be held at the Ephrata Cemetery located at 333 E Street S.W. on March 22, 2025 at 11 am. A reception will follow at the American Legion Post 28 located at 276 8th Ave NW in Ephrata.

“Love is just a word until someone comes along and gives it meaning.” -
Anonymous

Cemetery Details

Ephrata City Cemetery

333 E St. S.W.
Ephrata, WA

Previous Events

Graveside

MAR 22. 11:00 AM (PT)

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Ephrata, WA

Reception

MAR 22. 12:00 PM (PT)

American Legion
276 8th Ave N.W.
Ephrata, WA 98823
(509) 754-2761

Tribute Wall

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“ I didn't meet Vicki until her Wal-Mart days at the photo lab; she was always so kind and very funny to me. I would have pictures being printed sometimes on a daily basis and when I would walk in she would always make a funny comment about "pictures again". She was a joy to work with always. She was missed when she left Wal-Mart and she will be truly missed now. RIP Vicki



PAMELA HILL - March 19, 2025 at 06:41 PM

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I new Vicki when we worked at Walmart together Jim your family is in our thoughts and prayers from Robin

Robin Smith - April 04, 2025 at 01:59 AM