



Tammy Jo Collard

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Obituary of Tamara Tammy Jo Collard

Tammy passed away peacefully at her home in Scappoose, Oregon, on October 14th in the company of her family and friends. She was 50 years old.

Tammy was born in Castro Valley, California, to Charles and Donna May Dana Benesch. Raised in Corvallis, Tammy was the 2nd of 5 children. She graduated from Corvallis High School and went on to receive her Bachelor's degree in nutrition from Oregon State University. The following year Tammy earned her paralegal certificate from UCLA and began a career in law. Tammy worked in Portland for the law firm of Hoffman, Hart and Wagner from October of 1994 until June of 2010 when she stepped down due to her illness.

Tammy married Stephen Collard also raised in Corvallis on July 12, 1986, in Albany, Oregon. They moved to Southern California in 1986, returning to Oregon in 1994, and have lived in Scappoose since 1995. She loved all kinds of activities involving family and friends such as cooking, restaurants, music, hiking, biking, camping, and travel. She cared deeply for the family pets and had a passion for growing things. She enjoyed both in a large and beautiful garden.

In addition to a large extended family, Tammy is survived by her husband; Steve, children; Kevin and Kate Collard, mother; Donna Benesch of Redmond, Oregon, siblings; Dana Benesch of Redmond, Oregon, Craig Benesch of Cascade, Idaho, Kent Benesch of Powell Butte, Oregon, Kim Benesch of Crescent Lake, Oregon, and grandmother; Garnet Dana of Spokane, Washington.

The Tamara Collard Memorial Fund has been set up at the St. Helens Community Federal Credit Union, 52691 Columbia River Highway, Scappoose, OR 97056.

Donations to this fund will be used for a new memorial park bench to be located at Veteran's Park, in Scappoose. All funds not used for the park bench will be donated to the Columbia Pacific Food Bank. A Celebration of Life Gathering and Dedication will be held 1:00 PM, November 7, 2010 at Scappoose Veterans Park, off JP Morgan West St.

Online condolences can be made to the family at www.columbiafh.com.



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Anonymous posted:

I am so saddened to read the news about Tammy in the Spotlight. It has been a couple years since I saw you in Fred Meyers while I was there visiting from Hawaii; we reflected on our children being so grown up and laughed about their childhood adventures. Being so far away and though not in touch often, my heart is broken for your family. You are in my thoughts and prayers. I wish I could be there for the dedication. Please let me know if there is anything I can do. My email is jubeari@yahoo.com. Much love and blessings to each of you. Judi Mier Nick Fink's Mom###imported-begin##Judi Mier###imported-end##

November 6 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Tammy, I will miss you and your amazing smile and ability to laugh so hard when recounting a story that you would make yourself cry. I am proud to say that you are my sister, thank you so much for everything you did for me and all that knew you. I love you and miss you so much. Kent###imported-begin##Kent Benesch###imported-end##

October 31 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

The memory of Tammy's sensational smile, laid back attitude, and sweet disposition will always live with me.###imported-begin##Amy Rider###imported-end##

October 30 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Donna I am so sorry about the loss of your daughter. I hadn't seen her since she was a young girl - I remember her has being a nice sweet girl.###imported-begin##Marlene Osborne Hubble###imported-end##

October 28 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Tammy - we have known you for nearly all of your 50 years and will miss you much - our heart goes out to Steve , Kate, Kevin, Donna and all the Benesches. Thank you for your smiles and great personality.###imported-begin##Roy and Sandy ###imported-end##

October 26 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Very sad news about Tammy's death. My heart goes out to Steve, Kevin & Kate and the Benesch family. I have many fond memories of Tammy. As we grew up our families were friends, gathering for BBQs and spending time during the summer at Pearl Creek. I know that she was loved and will live on in those that here to remember.##imported-begin##Tammy Rider##imported-end##

October 25 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dearest Steve, Kevin and Kate.... and family, I am deeply sorry for your loss. I pray that all those wonderful, beautiful memories of Tammy will bring peace to your heart at this time. Please know how many of us love you all and are praying for you. I do ask God to wrap you all up in His arms and bring the deep peace and comfort that only He can. We miss you Tammy and will see you again... Love to you all always, Janet##imported-begin##Janet Davis##imported-end##

October 24 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

To All Who Loved Her, May the joy, energy and compassion that Tammy carried with her continue to visit you through trying and easy times alike. Bear her memory as a torch, as a salve, as an amulet. Onward with life, in her spirit. Wendy Rider##imported-begin##Wendy Rider##imported-end##

October 24 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

From my Family to yours, All our best wishes and deepest sorrow for your loss. Please let us know if there is anything that we can do to help out. Larry, Karin and Matthew Seehafer##imported-begin##Larry Seehafer##imported-end##

October 24 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Thinking of Tammy brings to mind her quick smile, her gentle and loving nature, and her fun spirit. A beautiful woman, inside and out. She and all the Collard family simply are the nicest people. To Steve, Kate and Kevin, we send our love and hugs and hopes that treasured memories help fill the void. You are in our thoughts so much.##imported-begin##The Mapes Family##imported-end##

October 24 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

We feel very fortunate to have had the chance to be a friend of Tammy's. She always had a smile for us and we could laugh together easily. We are very sad for the family and want to extend our condolences to all.##imported-begin##Larry & patty endicott##imported-end##

October 23 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Dear Steve and Family,We are deeply sorry for your loss. But we realize that Tammy was a beautiful angel on earth who has been called home to Heaven. We didn't spend nearly enough time with her. So please let us know when the Celebration of Her Life will be so we can at least spend time amongst family and friends who loved her dearly. If there is anything we can do please don't hesitate to ask.##imported-begin##Mark Harris & Family##imported-end##

October 23 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

It's been so wonderful to have you all as friends here in Scappoose. We will miss Tammy's welcoming smile on the soccer sidelines so much. We're so glad we were able to spend some time with you all in the last months. Tammy was smiling and laughing even then. She will be missed deeply.We love you guys!Mark, Tonia and kids##imported-begin##the Peckover family##imported-end##

October 23 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

Tammy, you made an impact on many lives and were an incredible person and were loved by so many. I will never forget our friendship and how you were a part of the special time in my life. You will be missed, our loss is Heavens gain. Steve, my heart breaks for you and your family's loss.##imported-begin##Randy Davis##imported-end##

October 23 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Steve, I miss Tammy so much! The Radio Giants concerts we were at together are some of my best memories. You are in my thoughts every day. Donna##imported-begin##Donna Lee##imported-end##

October 21 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

I am very sorry for your loss! Please know that my thoughts are with you and your family during this difficult time. Kari Rieck Pinard '78 CVHS##imported-begin##Kari Rieck Pinard##imported-end##

October 20 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Tammy always had a bright smile and a twinkle in her eyes. I knew her in Jr High at Highland View. Then reconnected through Steve here in Portland. I remember getting our children together for a few Birthday parties. Also seeing her at Steves gigs with the Radio Giants. Im so glad I was able to give her felted slippers in June at the hospital and two knit hats on the 4th of Oct. Thanks for letting me be part of your life Tammy. You are a wonderful one of a kind Angel! Love you and will miss you! Hope you will say Hi to your Dad and Brian for us in heaven! Love, Marilee##imported-begin##Marilee Buczkowski##imported-end##

October 18 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Steve: I am very sorry to here about your loss. My prayers will definately be there for you and your family. We all have gained an angel. Best wishes, Russ##imported-begin##Russ Miller##imported-end##

October 18 at 5:00 PM



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Anonymous posted:

My thoughts and prayers go out to you and your loved ones. Tammy was a sweet and gentle soul. All of us who knew her at CVHS will dearly miss her. God Bless You! ##imported-begin## George Candello ##imported-end##

October 18 at 5:00 PM



Anonymous posted:

Steve and family, I'm so sorry. Tammy will be missed, we always looked forward to seeing the family in the Christmas card. Take care my friend, very much hope to see you soon. G2 ##imported-begin## Walter Colton ##imported-end##

October 18 at 5:00 PM



Memories only last if you share them

Join us in honoring Tammy by contributing to a collection of shared memories.



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