



Sarah Katherine Williams

December 31, 1980 - June 16, 2021

Sarah Katherine Williams, 1980-2021

Sarah Katherine Williams passed away June 16, 2021 in Corvallis. She was born December 31, 1980 in Arcata, CA to Bob and Lane Williams.

She attended schools in Burney, CA and Tyrone, GA where she graduated from Sandy Creek High School. After college she pursued real estate and in 2006 moved to Corvallis. She was an employee of Barenbrug USA, Inc. in Albany, OR.

Sarah enjoyed the outdoors and was an avid reader and sports enthusiast. Fiercely independent with an adventurous spirit she traveled world-wide. She loved animals with a passion. She contributed to several animal nonprofits and they were always at the top of her Christmas wish list. Her sense of humor was unique and quirky. Honestly, no one made us laugh like she did. Sarah was diagnosed with inflammatory breast cancer at age 37. Always positive, she faced every obstacle with hope, grace and determination. Her gentle kindness and joy, particularly during these years, were inspiring. Her hope for others was to find purpose and joy, to make time for friends and new experiences, and to embrace the beauty in the world around us every single day. She was a bright light who lit up the lives of everyone around her.

Sarah is survived by her mother, Lane, her brothers, Michael Williams and Robert Stanfield, partner, Roy Davis; aunts, Laura Folkner and Claudia Ayala; uncles, Bruce, David, and Steve Ayala; and several cousins. We are so very lucky to have had her in our lives. Her kind, loving, and playful spirit will live on.

in us forever.

A Celebration of Life will be held in Corvallis after July 1. Friends, family, and co-workers are invited to email Sarah's Family at sarahwsfamily@gmail.com where you can be informed of further details as they become available.

If you would like to make a memorial contribution, the Shasta Wildlife Rescue & Rehabilitation was one of Sarah's favorites. (PO Box 1173, Anderson, CA 96007, 530-365-9453).

Tribute Wall

AE

“ *My sweet S! My forever NASCAR/Golden Girls/Care Bears/Animals buddy. I miss you so much it hurts. Something will come up during my day and I want to share it with you then realize I can't. So I say it outloud hoping you hear me. I love you so much!*

Lane and Mike - You are always in my thoughts and prayers. When I make it to that side of the country I can't wait for you to meet my daughter who reminds me so much of Sarah as well as my son who shares a love of Nascar as well. I love y'all and always here for you.



Allison Echols - July 24, 2021 at 09:14 PM

AG

“ My Sweet friend- so may things keep popping up reminding me of you. I get so excited for a minute because I want to text you and tell you and then I remember, and a little pain kicks in because as much as I can text and tell you all about it, I won't get to hear your response, I can imagine what you'd say, but it's not the same. I have a few memories of our childhood in Burney together, a couple times we hung out because our brothers were friends, but mostly because you reached out FB all those years ago to connect(again)and we got to know one another all over and in a different time out of childhood. We have shared SO many secrets over the years, we have shared in good times and bad times, we vented to one another... a lot! Friendship therapy was always a must! If it wasn't for you, Holli and I wouldn't have connected. We finally converted you into our Twilight obsession...it took some convincing, but finally you saw what we did and fell in love with Edward just the same. I read Harry Potter because of you. We shared a love for books, libraries, tv shows, movies, animals...I'd like to think you're in Heaven taking care of animals now ❤️ Sarah, my favorite Tall Tater, thank you for your friendship over the years. Thank you for your love and kindness you showed to me and many others. You were an amazing human! I admired so much! You weren't afraid to adventure on your own(one thing I'm very timid about)but you did and it's inspiring now. You were a fighter! You won so many battles Sarah, you fought as hard as you could. I miss you, but I'm also thankful you're not suffering. I can't help but share and giggle about one my favorite things you could start a conversation off with when you were feeling irritated: Oh for f**ks sake...I mean, I'd always agree with you more often than not and then we would rant off to one another. I'll miss that, and I'll probably steal that line now and then, because you know ;) I am forever thankful for you sweet friend, you touched many lives with your love and kindness. You'll be treasured forever ❤️ Love, Mini T (Amber)

Amber Gallegos - July 22, 2021 at 03:57 PM

WA

“ I worked with Sarah not for sure but around 15 years at Jacklin Seed. She was always the first one in all of my sports bets every year. She was fun to be around even though she was a Dolphin fan but hey nobody's perfect. If you know Sarah at all you know her love for all lives. She told me when she finds a spider or ants in her house she would not kill them but would catch them and set them free outside. I will never forget the time she called me from a parking lot in Albany. She had a flat tire and asked if I could come change it for her. I get there open her trunk and reach in grab her spare lift it up and instantly my hands and arms are covered with ants hundreds of ants. So many it looked like I had black gloves on. I throw the tire it went bouncing around the parking lot as I was jumping up and down shacking my arms and hands trying to get the ants off. Well after about 5 minutes or so I calm down. Sarah is looking at me trying not to laugh to hard. I told Sarah I knew you would set them free but I never knew that you would take them for drives. Just one of many grins she gave me.

Wally - June 25, 2021 at 03:09 PM

LA

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Lane - June 24, 2021 at 01:15 PM

SM

Such an adorable picture.

Steve Mirabito - June 24, 2021 at 08:04 PM

MH

Lane and Michael my thoughts are with you both. So very sad to loose Sarah so young. She is with Bob now and they are both free from the ravages of cancer. Always treasure the memories of better days spent with her.

Mike Halterman - June 25, 2021 at 10:36 AM

KJ

“ *My friend Sarah. She meant the world to me. We talked often. She loved her animals and family fiercely. I can't believe she isn't on the other end of my phone. I miss her so much and pray she is in Heaven full of life with no pain. My thoughts are with her friends and family. I wish I just had another day to tell her how special she was and what a privilege it was to call her my sister.*



Kristina Jacklin - June 22, 2021 at 07:29 PM

PG

So happy she was in our life for a while she was like a ray of lite. So was hoping she would be healed and get well going to be missed so much praying for family

patricia gray - June 23, 2021 at 05:55 PM

CL

“ *Lane and Mike,
My heart is breaking for you. Sarah was so full of life - and of humor. I know this is two very difficult losses for you both in a very short time. My thoughts and prayers are with you. Sending my love.
Cheryl Leidy*

Cheryl Leidy - June 22, 2021 at 04:36 PM

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Robert Stanfield - June 22, 2021 at 12:34 PM

RS

This may be a duplicate because my earlier comments vanished: I had some serious laughs with Sarah and she was so pleasant to be around---witty, funny but mostly she was a caring person. Even when she was going through unimaginable challenges, she still showed empathy and care for others, including myself. Seemingly, she always had a smile which reflected her kind and gentle spirit. She endured so much the last few years... challenges that are hard to comprehend. Still, she fought on and kept a great attitude. I so wish there were more times to visit and text back and forth and to eat enchiladas. I am grateful for the time we 'were' able to share... just wish there were many more. Much love to you, Sarah... you are sorely missed. Love, Robert

Robert Stanfield - June 22, 2021 at 07:23 PM

ND

Sarah and I met a few years back playing fantasy sports on various sites, and she was a regular the past 5 years despite her illness. Yankee Girl I'm going to miss our spirited conversations about our favorite teams. However knowing that you're not sick anymore is comforting. Keep smiling down on us, and rest in Heaven Warrior Princess..

Norman Dyer - June 22, 2021 at 08:50 PM

KG

Sarah and I chatted about fantasy sports, traveling and so many things. I never met her in person, but knew she was a good caring person. I called her the warrior princess because she battled that scourge of cancer with a fierce determination and quiet dignity but with that unwavering bright spirit.

Fly high Warrior Princess you will be missed.

Kevin Green - June 29, 2021 at 07:02 AM

JE

I didn't know your daughter, but when I read her obituary, it struck close to home. So very sorry for your loss. Our 41 year old daughter passed away last year. She was diagnosed with lung cancer and had never smoked in her life. She passed 2 months later. She too, like your daughter loved all animals and volunteered at several animal shelters in the LA area. She was also active in outdoor activities and loved playing kick ball. I hope wonderful memories of her will help ease some of the pain. My sincerest sympathies go out to your Family.

Jerry - July 17, 2021 at 01:40 PM

TM

“ *Theresa Mirabito lit a candle in memory of Sarah Katherine Williams*



Theresa Mirabito - June 22, 2021 at 01:18 AM

SM

“ I first met Sarah on The Sporting News website in '08. She sent me a message about an article I might enjoy and the rest is history. The first time we ever talked on the phone was for five hours until she fell asleep. We talked about sports, animals, interests, music, and everything in between that night. Our friendship grew and I consider her one of my closest friends even if though I never met her in person. She loved watching Disney movies and reciting the lines over the phone to me. She knew every line by heart. She loved the character Maleficent and I was more than happy to surprise her with some gifts. She also absolutely loved to pick on me. Of course it was all in a jokingly way and I didn't mind it at all because I loved to hear her laugh when she teased me. Trust me she really had some vicious insults! lol Still I wouldn't have it any other way. She so adored her precious pets and animals of all kind. The memories I have of our talks, texts, and messages will last in my heart forever. I miss her so much. I have never ever met a more courageous and braver person in my life than her. No matter what she was going through she always was concerned about how I was doing. That's the type of amazing and caring person Sarah was. I want to extend my deepest sympathies to her family and friends. Reading all the comments on Facebook about her really touched me because she made a difference in so many people's lives. I will never forget you Sarah. I will always love you my dear friend!! - Stevie (as she would call me)

Steve Mirabito - June 22, 2021 at 12:58 AM