



Dale Cosgrove

September 3, 1938 - June 13, 2021

Dale Cosgrove, 82, of Bellingham, WA, died on June 13, 2021. Dale was born in Colorado Springs, CO on September 3, 1938 to Dale A. and Doloro (Holt) Cosgrove. He spent part of his youth in Colorado Springs, his teen age years in San Diego, CA, and finally moved back to Colorado where he finished high school at Eagle, CO.

After high school Dale joined the Navy. He entered service at San Diego, CA. Dale was very proud of his military service. He retired from the Naval Reserve with 30 years of service in 1998.

After his military service Dale attended the University of Arkansas where he received his BSBA and subsequently his MBA and CPA. While at the University he met and married his wife, Judy. They moved to Lawton, OK soon after he obtained his MBA. Dale taught at Cameron University in Lawton until his retirement in 1991. After a few years in Norman, OK, Dale and Judy moved to Bellingham, WA, in 2001, and Dale switched from powerboats to sailboats. He and Judy enjoyed many good times sailing in the San Juans until health problems intervened.

Dale was charismatic, a keeper of odd sayings, a lover of dogs, a hater of Christmas, a joke teller extraordinaire, reliable, giving, and a person you could count on for anything. He was a member of the YMCA for 50 years. He loved

his power boat, Easy Lovin', his sailboat, Suntac, and his motorcycles. He will be greatly missed.

Dale is survived by his spouse, Judy Diane (Fowler) Cosgrove, two children Candy Mauda Cosgrove (Mark Shaffer) and Erich Fowler Cosgrove (Amy Thornton) and 5 grandchildren: Sean, Meghan, Adeline, Gabrielle and Charlotte, who were the pride of his life, and Taco, his lap dog and companion. He is also survived by his sister, Beverly Clark and her children: Chris, Steven, and Kathleen.

There will be a celebration of Dale's life for family and friends on Saturday, August 14, 2021, from 3:00-6:00 pm at the family home. Donations in Dale's name can be made to the Whatcom Humane Society.

Tribute Wall

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“ *Met Dale at Cameron and later sold him the 427 BBC he put in his boat.*

Many found memories along with my good friend Jim Small who became a CPA.

I also took accounting One and Two from Dale in college. While accounting was not my major his teaching help me in business career.

Our prays go out to the family in their loss.

Sincerely,

Philip J. Isaacs, MAI

Philip Isaacs - November 28, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I was a student of 'Cosgrove' at Cameron University. I would like to kindly remember him for impacting my life in a positive way. To the family, please accept our condolences.*

Ron and Annie Crockett, Houston TX - July 17, 2021 at 12:00 AM

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“ *I met Dale one summer when he was a lifeguard at the Fayetteville Country Club swimming pool. He was a college student and Judy taught school. We enjoyed water skiing on Beaver Lake, were friends for decades, and always enjoyed our too infrequent visits.*

John Hale - July 10, 2021 at 12:00 AM