



## Gregory C. Lutz

March 7, 1965 - August 30, 2017

Gregory Charles Lutz, 52, of Lummi Island, Washington, passed away on Wednesday, August 30, 2017 at the University of Washington Medical Center. He died from congestive heart failure after a valiant fight for his life. We appreciate the many wonderful doctors and attendants who worked to save him.

Gregory was born in Manhattan, New York, on March 7, 1965 to Janet L. Lutz. In 1970, he was welcomed to Bellingham (his mother's home town) by his grandparents, Chuck and Viola Lutz, and his Aunt Patricia Jorgenson. In 1995, he moved to Maui, Hawaii, living there for nineteen years, before moving back to Bellingham in 2014.

He attended Franklin and Happy Valley Grade Schools, Fairhaven Middle School, and graduated from Sehome High School in 1983. His senior year he participated in the State Basketball Championship Tournament at Seattle Center. He earned his BA in Political Science from the University of Washington in 1988. While attending the university, Greg pledged the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, where he made many lifelong friends.

Greg had a passion for family, friends, music, and the great outdoors. Always quick with a warm smile and embrace, Greg enjoyed nothing more than organizing a "gathering" as he called them, to bring together his friends, to

enjoy the sounds of one of his favorite bands or performers. Greg always looked to bring new friends into his incredible circle, while maintaining relationships that spanned decades.

His self-taught computer skills helped “would be” entrepreneurs to build web sites. Greg took special joy in shooting pictures and video which he uploaded and shared from the events he attended, creating smiles and memories for all of us.

Greg is survived by his loving mother Janet Lutz-Smith and special friend Susan Sturtz. He was greatly loved and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

A celebration of Greg’s life will be held Sunday, September 10th, at 2:00 p.m. at 628 Old Samish Rd. in Bellingham.

# Tribute Wall



“ *Thoughts and prayers are with you Janet.* ”

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**Margaret Frost** - August 30, 2017 at 12:00 AM