



## Larry Michael Bovenkamp

February 28, 1954 - January 7, 2014

Bellingham, Washington

Larry Michael Bovenkamp, age 59 of Lynden, passed away unexpectedly on Tuesday, January 7th. Referred to as “Mike” by his family, he was known to many as Bov or Bovie.

The son of Anthony Shorty and Hilda Gretta (Leenders) Bovenkamp, he was born in Bellingham on February 28th 1954. He attended Lynden High School, then joined the United States Marine Corps, where he proudly served his country for 8 years. An avid sports fan, he was particularly loyal to the UW Huskies, and of course, the Lynden High School Lions, where fellow fans were well aware of his passion and enthusiasm. His loyalty and generosity were his greatest strengths, but he was more inclined to joke about his faults than to flaunt his virtues. He was tremendously proud of his son, and admired the man and father he has become. He looked forward to seeing his young grandson grow up to achieve his own dreams, hoping to help support his education when the time came.

He is survived by his son Derrick (Colleen) Bovenkamp, grandson David, mother Gretta Bovenkamp, brothers Kenneth Bovenkamp, Doug (Linda) Bovenkamp, Daryl Bovenkamp, Jeff (Karen) Bovenkamp, and sisters Linda (Tom) Bishop, Carol Welch, Cheryl Miner, Debbie (Todd) Lingbloom, and

numerous nieces, nephews and other extended family.

#### Farewell Tribute Information

A private family service will be held at a later date. Donations Information

Memorials may be made to his grandson David Bovenkamp's college fund savings account at any Whatcom Education Credit Union Branch.

# Tribute Wall

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“ My deepest sympathy to Larry’s family and friends. May you find hope and comfort in the promise at Isaiah 25:8- ” He will swallow up death forever, and the Sovereign Lord Jehovah will wipe away the tears from all faces.” I am truly sorry for your loss.

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**Babe Quintrall** - January 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ Dearest Brother, How you are missed ! I so remember all the great things you have done for me and my family. And so many others. You had the heart of many in one body. And the spirit to match! I so will miss your phone calls and the way you made me laugh! I know you are now walking with two good legs in heaven. You so deserve the best!! I love you, will miss you and will see you again...RIP big brother.

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**Debbie Lingbloom** - January 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM

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“ To the Bovenkamp Family  
Sorry for the loss of Larry. What a big hearted guy! Everybody at Yellow Cab where he last worked, loved Larry. He would give you the shirt off his back and everybody knew it. He was quite the Tough Guy (former Marine) but under the tough exterior was the sweetest guy one could ever know. A real hard worker, he used to say “I’ll sleep when I’m dead”. Well Larry might be gone for now but he will live in our hearts forever. So rest in peace Brother and we will see ya on the other side!

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**Ron** - January 07, 2014 at 12:00 AM