



William Bill John Ross

June 17, 1945 - October 1, 2016

William John Ross, age 71, passed away at home of natural causes in Newport, Oregon October 1, 2016.

Bill was born in Syracuse, New York June 17, 1945 to Howard Edward Ross and Helen Elizabeth Ross (Rhoades). He graduated from East Syracuse High School, New York in 1963.

Bill started his earlier years working at a grocery store in Syracuse as a Produce Manager. He later moved out to Oregon and fell in love with the ocean here on the west coast. He worked for Chevron for many years; first with the Salishan Chevron from 1979 to the late 90' as a mechanic until it was closed and taken down, then Bill moved from Gleneden Beach to Newport in the late 90's where he was employed by Kelso Chevron before it was changed to Beven's Market & Deli Chevron in Newport, near the bridge. Bill was a gas attendant there for many years before he changed jobs and was employed by Safeway. He continued to serve the community with a smile and helpfulness to all.

Bill enjoyed reading books by Ann McCaffrey, playing games on the computer or walking the family dogs on the beach.

Bill leaves behind his lifelong partner of 40 years, Janet D. Wallace of

Newport, Oregon. Though he had no children of his own, his extended family with Janet included her sons and their families: Aaron and Michelle Wallace of Newport, OR, Allen Wallace of Toledo, OR, Scott Wallace of New York and Donny Wallace of Florida; grandkids include: Derek Wallace, Kevyn Wallace, Nathan Wallace of Newport, OR, Teryl Wusstig of Albany, OR and many others back east.

An announcement will be posted at a later date for a celebration of life for those family and friends who would like to share stories and memories of Bill.