



## Wendi Chambers

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Early Friday morning, Sept. 4, Wendi Lee Chambers passed away peacefully at home in Corvallis. She was 54.

Wendi will be remembered for so many qualities and accomplishments: the impish gleam in her eye; her sensitive, childlike spirit; her intelligence; her unique aesthetic sensibility; her gift for unconditionally extending love; her tenacious moral compass; her flair for gardening; her sense of humor; her appreciation of nature; her gift for writing and self-expression in many artistic forms; her capacity for friendship; her devotion as a daughter, sister and mother; and her profound gift for authentically communicating through music.

The philanthropic contributions Wendi made in her local community were many. She was an advocate for animal rights, started a program to provide new guitars to people in hospitals and was a devoted volunteer for Benton Hospice Service, where she generously gave her gift of music to soothe, heal and delight.

Wendi came into the world on Oct. 28, 1954, at Providence Hospital in Seattle, Wash., born to Phyllis Regina and John Allen Chambers.

She is survived by her mother Phyllis Regina Chambers; siblings, John Allen Chambers Jr., Lauri Ann Chambers, Polli Jane Chambers-Salazar, Gary Salazar and Regina Nel Chambers; daughter Emily Bryn Miller; nieces, Colleen Mary Montana Laurel Chambers-Iverson and McKenzie Jean Chambers; nephew J.T. Chambers; dear friend Anthony Lloyd Stumbo; and adored companion, Bella.

"I looked for my soul, but my soul I could not see. I looked for my God, but my God eluded me. I looked for a friend, and then I found all three." - William Blake

Wendi will be truly missed.

A memorial service will be held at 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 12, at First Christian Church in Corvallis.

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**Sarah Tramadol** - September 21, 2009 at 04:15 AM

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I was stunned and saddened to learn of the sudden passing of this dear "music lady", who brought so much joy into the lives of so many.

I will never forget the night last May when Wendi played and sang for a hospice patient at Corvallis Manor, where I work. The patient, her family, and I all joined in the songs and had a wonderful time---it didn't matter to Wendi that I couldn't carry a tune in a bucket, she kept encouraging me to sing, and she played in a key that I could manage with my faulty alto.

The last time I saw Wendi, she was playing in the large dining room at the Manor during dinner, so we joined forces again to entertain the residents with "Good-Night, Irene", "De Colores", and "Dream A Little Dream of Me". I will treasure these memories of her for the rest of my days.....and while I am still saddened by the loss of such a cheerful, sweet woman at a young age, I know she must be in Heaven, singing and playing for the Lord and all of His angels.

May He comfort Wendi's family and friends in this time of sorrow. I just wanted you all to know how much she impacted my life, and how much she will be missed. God bless you all.

**Marla Lawrence** - September 12, 2009 at 05:14 PM