



Paula Rasmussen

June 5, 2026

Paula Rasmussen, Sweet Home, Oregon, passed away June 5, 2026, after a courageous battle with diabetes and kidney disease.

Paula Jean Rasmussen was born January 27, 1959, in Eugene, Oregon, to the late Gerald and

Maureen Rasmussen. Most of her early years were spent in Georgia and California, before

moving to Oregon. Her working life was varied, from Hemet Castings in California, to Smith

Frozen Foods in Oregon. She retired to Sweet Home where she purchased her first home.

Throughout her life, Paula was a ray of sunshine, always smiling and looking forward to family

gatherings. She was voracious reader, her favorite was fantasy fiction, but she read everything.

She liked to putter around the gardens, and keep a kitty close. She enjoyed trying new things and

found enjoyment with cooking, scrapbooking, and collections. At several family end-of-life

events, it was Paula who approached the microphone, and spoke for her siblings with kindness,

humor, and an infinite amount of love.

Paula is survived by her son, Brian, and his wife Yajaira, Rasmussen, Arecibo, Puerto Rico. She is also survived by her siblings, her sisters; Maggie Rasmussen, Theresa Rasmussen, of California, Eileen Combs, Springfield, Oregon, and Kathy (Roy) Arehart, Albany, Oregon. Her brothers; William (Marilyn) Rasmussen, Eugene, Oregon, Stephen Rasmussen, and David Rasmussen, of California. Paula was a special auntie to her nephews and nieces; Jason (Valerie) Miles, Erik Wydra, Kevin (Jen) Thomas, Mathew (Kate) Rasmussen, Michael (Janessa) Rasmussen, Jerry (Virginia) Rasmussen, Kristen (Jeremy) Dewey, and Corinne (Nick) McGovern. She was close to grandnephews and grandnieces; Justin and Genie Miles, Daniel and Ryker Rasmussen, and Layla and Rowan Dewey. Paula was preceded in death by her parents, and siblings; Katherine Rasmussen, Ann Miles, Mary Patricia Jacobsen, and Mary Josephine Rasmussen. Paula's family will gather at a later date to honor her memory. Her family extends sincere gratitude to the many medical professionals who worked so tirelessly to help her, and the many kindnesses they provided.