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# 2026 Dan Lydiatt Oncology Symposium

*Patient Speaker: Jeri Winslow  
Squamous Cell Skin Cancer Survivor*

*Immunotherapy Treatment:*

*2Sep2022 to present.*



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# Negative Biopsies

- June 2017 – Mt. Vernon, WA – biopsy left lateral eyebrow also biopsy of left thigh – diagnosis of both biopsies confirmed eczema diagnosis – topical medication prescribed for left lateral eyebrow.
- June 2020 – Roseville, CA - repeat biopsy completed due to eczema treatment no longer working – negative for malignancy - but on exam thought to be pre-cancerous. Treated with cryotherapy and topical medication. Repeat biopsy recommended in six months.



**Oh my – COVID!!!**

**April Fools Day - 2020!  
Crazy I am 60!!!**

**Living in California...**

***Lived across the  
street from each  
other in Francisco  
Terrace since I was 3  
years old.***

## Bestie – Jacquie’s 60<sup>th</sup> Birthday - 2020

*Terry – Jeri – Jacquie:*

*Celebrated early before I moved to Iowa  
/ Omaha end of August 2020 - to help  
care for sister-in law.*







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# Positive Biopsy then MOHs procedure.

*November 2020 - repeat biopsy confirmed squamous cell skin cancer.*

*December 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2020 – MOHs procedure for cutaneous squamous cell cancer.*

*3 staged MOHs with negative margins.*

*Perineural Invasion Confirmed. During MOHs procedure dermatologist mentioned I may need referral to head and neck surgeon specializing in oncology as well as radiation therapy.*



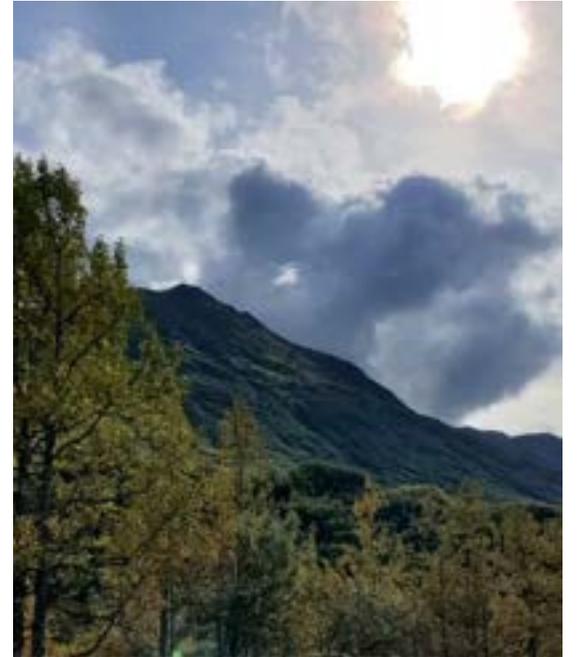


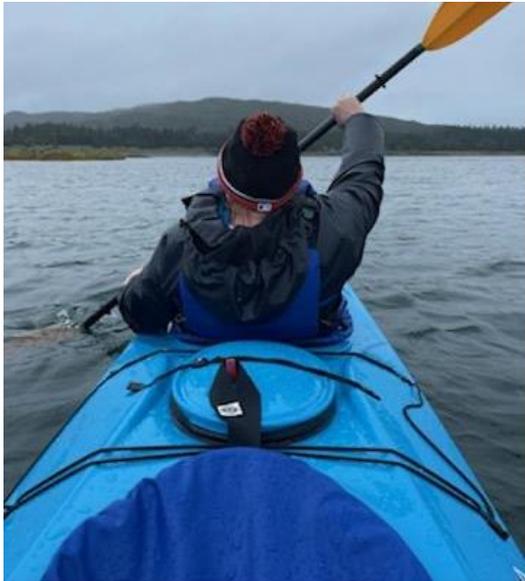
# Follow-up

- *Follow-up visits – Dermatologist confirmed successful MOHs procedure and did not need referral to Head and Neck Surgeon and Radiation Therapy.*
- *After open area healed / closed all the way – started having pain, headaches, shooting pains and abnormal sensations in forehead. Initially – the dermatologist attributed to normal wound healing and contracture.*



# Alaska Trip





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## Alaska Trip 2021 Before Cancer Spread

*November 2021 – upon return from vacation in Alaska – noted what felt to be a lump / nodule mid eyebrow. Scheduled appointment with dermatologist that completed MOHs procedure.*

*Referral was scheduled with Dr. Holcomb.*



## **Surgery completed 22Dec2021 – Photo - Post-op before 1<sup>st</sup> Radiation Treatment**

- *Head and Neck Surgery Consult with Dr. Andrew Holcomb - November 23, 2021. New subcutaneous nodularity near the surgical site (MOHs) – MRI ordered.*
- *MRI completed 29Nov2021 – mass confirmed.*
- *Surgery 22Dec2021: Excision Left Upper Eyelid open approach and Excision of Left Trigeminal Nerve open approach.*

*Perineural Invasion – unable to excise all squamous cell cancer.*

# Radiation Therapy

*Radiation Oncology Consult 14Jan2022.*

*Radiation Planning scan 4Feb2022.*

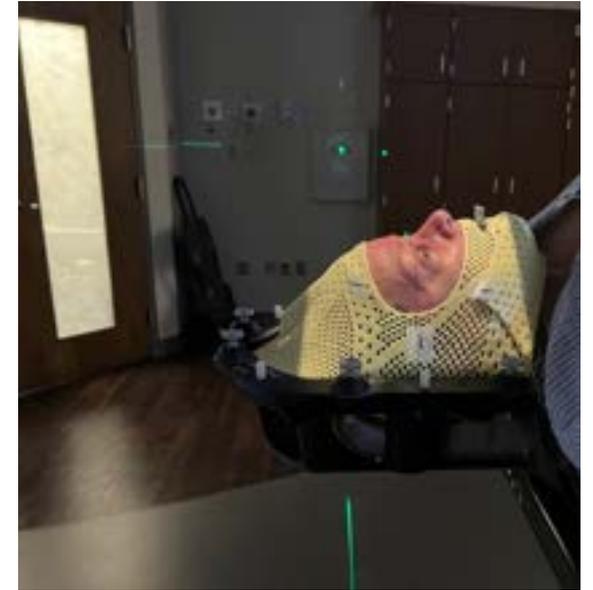
*Radiation Therapy – February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022  
(1<sup>st</sup> treatment still 61 y.o.) to April 1<sup>st</sup>,  
2022 (last treatment was on my  
birthday – 62 y.o.).*

*Left superior-hemi orbit and left  
cavernous sinus to relevant brain stem  
area to be treated with 5760 cGy in 32  
fractions (180cGy/fx).*



# Radiation Treatment Photos

- *Photos taken last Radiation Treatment – April Fools, 2022 (62<sup>nd</sup> Birthday).*
- *My friend Jacquie flew out for several days when I first started radiation therapy to be with me.*



# Me after facial droop...



- *Left Facial Droop – noted March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – woke up went into bathroom and immediately noticed left sided facial droop. Completed a stroke evaluation on self – prior to heading to Radiation Therapy - met with Radiation Oncologist prior to treatment – continued treatment.*
- *Radiation Oncologist referred to neuro-ophthalmology exam at UNMC baseline.*
- *June 7<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Dr. Holcomb implanted Gold Weight Left Upper Eyelid (to assist in shutting left eye to protect cornea)*



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# Post Radiation Treatment

- *Traveled to West Coast – Jacquie took me to Club 33 to Celebrate completion of Radiation Therapy*





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## **Nodules prior to Immunotherapy -1<sup>st</sup> Treatment September 2, 2022 (Every 3 weeks)**

- *August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Excision – biopsy confirmed spread.*
- *August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Oxycodone prescribed for increased facial nerve pain – already on Lyrica 200 mg BID.*
- *August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Oncologist – Unresectable multifocal locally recurrent squamous cell cancer. Immunotherapy ordered.*
- *September 2, 2022 – 1<sup>st</sup> Immunotherapy Treatment – Every 3-week treatment.*
  
- *Jacquie flew out a couple times to attend Immunotherapy Treatments with me – even with a torn hamstring!*



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# Quilt for Immunotherapy



- *My friend Cheryl made me this beautiful quilt called Garden Guardian Angels to use during Immunotherapy Treatments.*
- *Cheryl and I have been friends for over 40 years – we met in 1982 – worked together at Stanford Hospital, CA.*
- *We also worked together at Legacy Clinical Research, Portland, OR.*
- *We attended George Fox University together for our BA Degree in Management and Organizational Leadership.*



## **Immunotherapy Treatments – so far 3 completed**

- *Laurie and Terry visiting from California.*
- *Halloween at Zoo – 2022 – with my daughter Samantha.*
- *Definitely - did not eat the whole thing – just wanted a bite of my daughters treat she purchased at the zoo.*

## **Left Facial Paralysis more procedures to look like this again – not really...**

- *October 26, 2022 – Replaced Gold Weight with Platinum Weight – due to sensitivity to gold*
- *April 19, 2023 – Lift Eyebrow Facial Graft (Facia Lata Sling)*
- *September 20, 2023 – Excision Lesion Eyelid (left)*
- *December 18<sup>th</sup>, 2024 – Eye Specialist completed surgery in attempt to close left eyelid due to increased corneal edema / pain.*



# Early Melanoma in situ

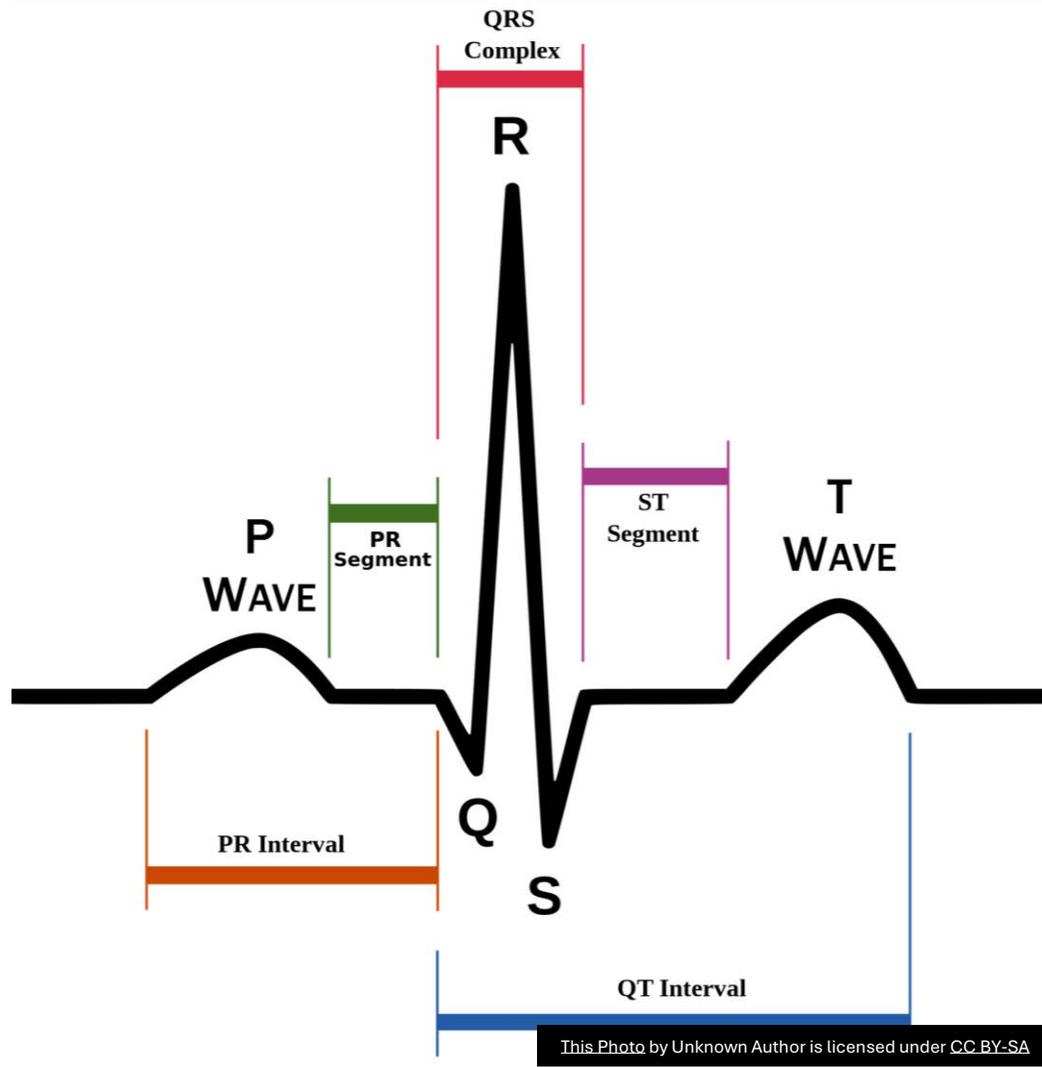
## Early Detection of Melanoma



- *January 7, 2025 – Dermatology appointment two biopsies completed – the biopsy completed on the right medial thigh – Pathologist confirmed Early Melanoma in situ on January 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025.*

- *January 15, 2025 – Plastic Surgery discussed with patient’s dermatologist and patient - confirmed agreement to complete a wide local excision of the right medial thigh melanoma in situ.*

- *January 28, 2025 – Breast Reduction – at same time surgeon completed excision lesion (melanoma in situ) – lower extremity – right medial thigh.*



# Cardiac 2025

- *May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 – Syncopal episode at SFO airport – hospitalized until May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025*
- *Cardiac Consult – to R/O rhythm abnormalities (AFIB common maternal side of family)*
- *June 26, 2025 – Left Heart Cath*
- *Myocardial Infarction*
- *July 22, 2025 – Coronary Arterial Bypass Graft x 2*
- *Cardiac Rehab – 24 weeks completed*



# Scans, scans, scans...

- *1<sup>st</sup> scan completed for cancer diagnosis on 29Nov2021.*
- *To date 32 scans completed PET / MRI combination or individual scans depending on requirement.*



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1) 350 mg IV infusion



2) For 30 minutes



3) Every 3 weeks



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## Immunotherapy Treatments: 59 and counting – so happy to be alive!

- 2022 – 6 Treatments
- 2023 – 17 Treatments
- 2024 – 17 Treatments
- 2025 – 15 Treatments (Held pre & post OHS)
- 2026 – 4 Treatments so far...

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**Short Term  
Disability 6  
months - off  
with pay  
starting on  
21Dec2021**

Switched back to  
Remote Work – when  
Immunotherapy  
started.

Treatment is  
expensive –  
thankfully have great  
insurance – out of  
pocket \$2000 a year.

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# Electrolysis Eyelashes

- *Due to left side facial paralysis from cancer:*
- *UNMC: Electrolysis eyelashes left upper inner eyelid completed to remove eyelashes turning in and scratching cornea.*
- *UNMC: 2Apr2026 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Electrolysis scheduled to remove eyelashes left upper inner eyelid (grew back since 1<sup>st</sup> treatment).*



**Thank you – Thank you – Thank you!**

**I cannot put into words how thankful I am to be alive today.**

**The teamwork approach and dedication of all the physicians and staff attending my case.**

**Shout out to the following and their teams:**

**Dr. Holcomb, Dr. Su, Dr. Nguyen, Dr. Huerta, Dr. Meyer, Dr. Wilson, and Dr. Chundury. And of course, all the physicians assisting in my care.**

**Nebraska Methodist Health System, Nebraska Cancer Specialists, and Nebraska Medicine Truhlsen Eye Institute.**

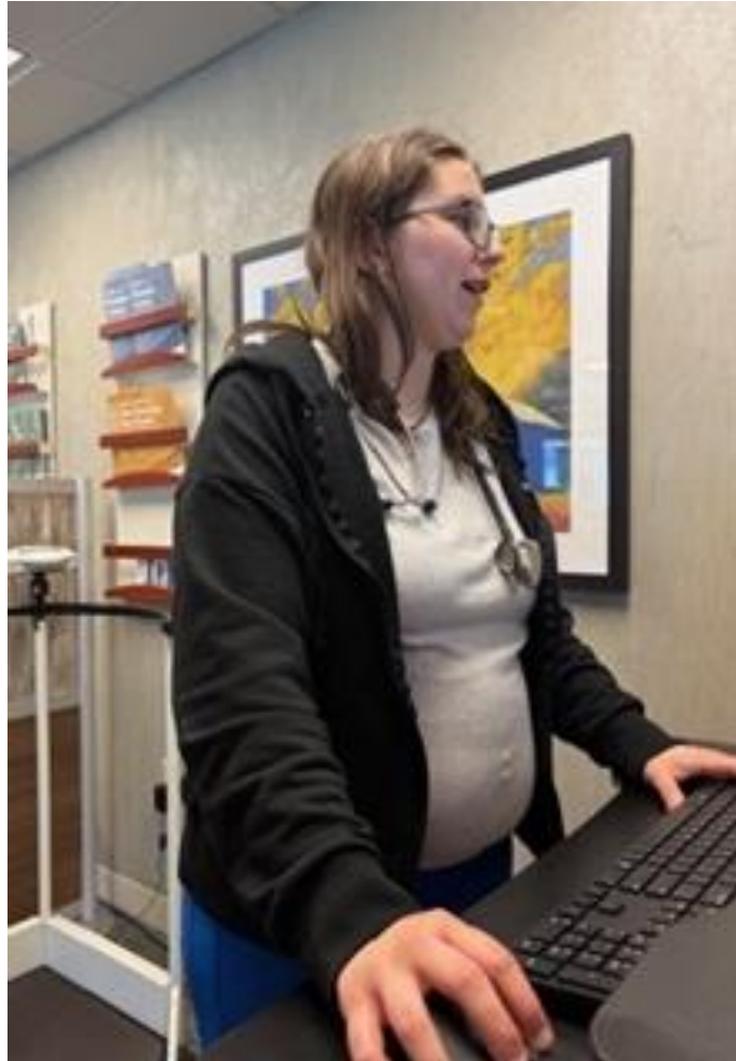
**Nursing Staff, Lab/MRI/PET/Radiation/ECG/ECHO/Surgery Technicians, Administrative Assistants, Billing Staff, Schedulers... I know I am forgetting to list everyone – I apologize – it takes so many people to care for one person diagnosed with Cancer.**

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**Nebraska Cancer  
Specialists –  
Amazing team that  
care for me every  
time I receive  
Immunotherapy  
Treatment.**





**1<sup>st</sup> stop lab collection – then check in at front desk, then see nurse or doctor – prior to treatment room.**

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# My Brother Greg and his wife Tamara



- *I cannot say enough about the amazing care my brother provided to his wife and myself.*



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# Monnie my niece, her husband Chris.

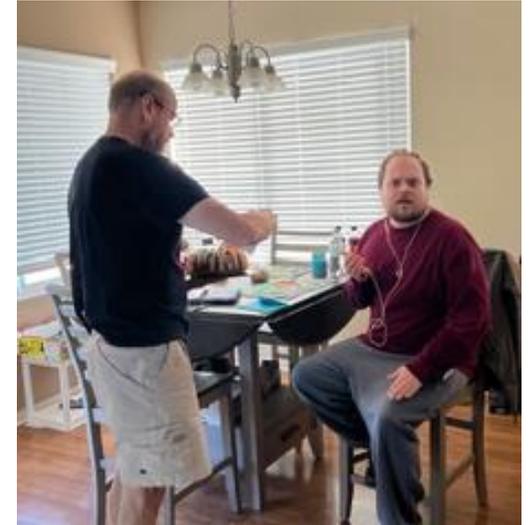
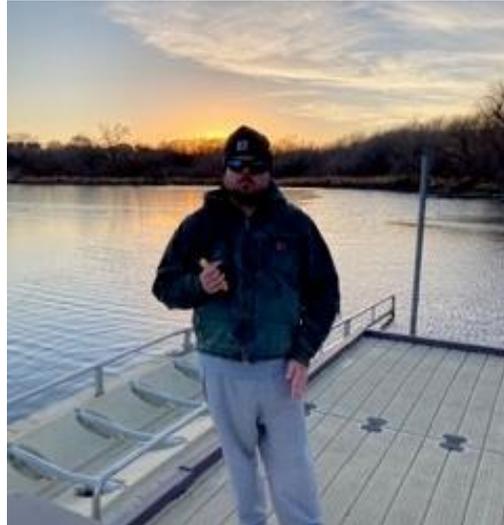
- *Pick ups after surgery, outpatient procedures, admitted to hospital*
- *Listening to me vent about my aches and pains...*
- *Playing board games, cards, and dice with me.*
  - *You think they would let me win once in awhile...*



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# My nephew Kyle Winslow

- *Kyle's Birthdays*
- *Kyle on vacation with dad at cabin by the lake.*



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# Attended Justine's Graduation from Vanderbilt



- *Attending Berkeley Law School currently.*
- *Graduation May 2026*



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# Del Monte Family

- *Family – met Jacquie in High School in 1975. We have been friends for over 50 years.*

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# Disney Wish Cruise – May 2023



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*Jacquie invited me to go on the cruise with her mother, daughter, and niece.*

*Missie was my roomie during Justine's graduation from Vanderbilt as well as the cruise.*

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# News Years Eve / Day and Easter 2024





# Bellingham and San Juan Island Trip 2024

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# Halloween Costumes and Ice Cream - 2025



- *Felicity Rumi*
- *Elliana (Ellie) Rumi*
- *Ellies Birthday Ice Cream – yummy.*

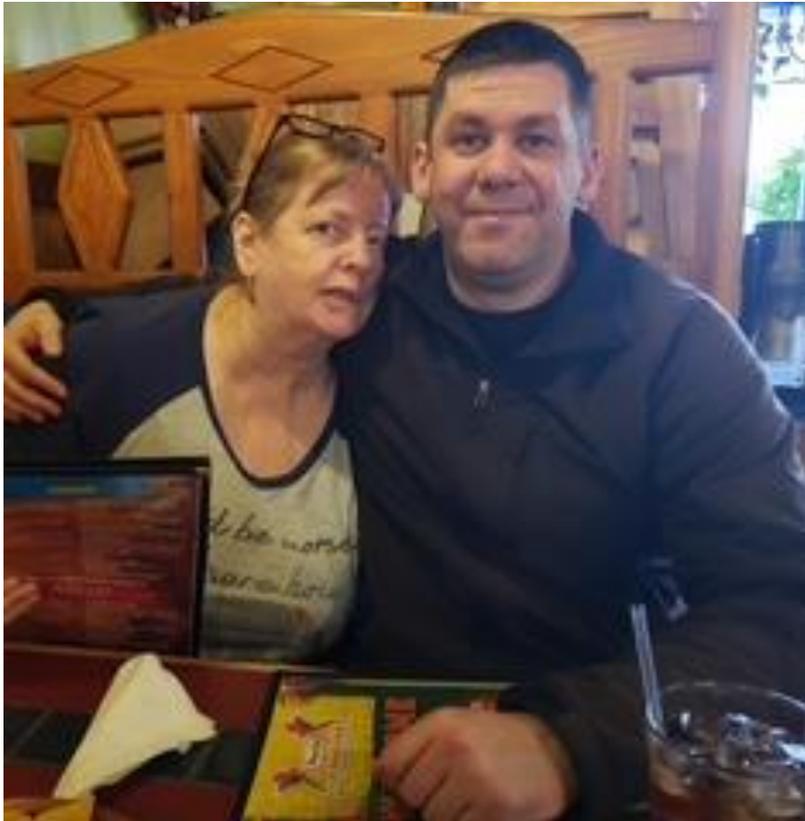


# ***Lion King – to celebrate Felicity and David’s December birthdays and Christmas 2025***



- *Had an amazing time staying at the Embassy Suites in Seattle.*
- *Swimming both days.*
- *Milton the Robot Delivery – my granddaughter Felicity loved it.*
- *Lion King was amazing! We all loved it.*
- *Cousin Shannon and her partner Bill met David and I for lunch after Makenna, Janie and Felicity departed.*

# David's 44<sup>th</sup> Birthday



- *My son hung-out with me at Air BnB and played the Board Game he had purchased for me in 2025.*

- *Celebrated David's 44<sup>th</sup> Birthday with his girlfriend Adrienne as well.*



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**Scottsdale, AZ with  
childhood friend Silvia and  
her husband and Jacquie.**



**California Adventure in  
line for Cars Ride.**

# Loving Memory of my Amazing, Brave Sister-In Law Tamara. June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2023 (60 y.o)



- *We became very close when I moved out to assist in care taking.*
- *She always beat me at cards, dice, board games...*
- *Tamara got me hooked on the British Detective shows.*
- *She just adored her cat Yodi and her daughter's cat Dexter (Siamese) would love to visit with us.*