



Martin James Linane

May 5, 1943 – July 29, 2021

Marty Linane came to the end of his incredible life on Thursday, July 29th after a very short illness. He was the first child of Frank and Christine Linane, born on May 5th, 1943, in Palo Alto, California. Marty would recall that his childhood growing up running through the fruit trees and farms of the bay area was just like a 1950s TV shows, full of fun, love and adventure. He was joined in his childhood adventures by his brother and first admirer Frank. Followed a few years later by his beloved "spoiled little sister" Margaret. Marty excelled at school baseball and football, raised pigs in 4-H, and worked at the family grocery store. He was a proud member of the Campbell High School Class of 1962

Marty jumped into adulthood early, becoming a proud father to Tami in 1962 and then to twins Marty Jr. and Monica in 1965. At times he was working several jobs to support his family. Having the foresight to understand it was going to be hard to get

ahead in California, he took a chance and moved his family to Spokane in 1967. After only a weekend visit to Spokane, he knew this was to be his new home. Soon after arriving he had a house and a job as a route salesman for Coca-Cola. Although he had never seen snow, he took on the northeastern Washington route, a crash course in winter driving!

Marty quickly built relationships and contacts that lead him to new careers. One of those contacts introduced him to a new and growing industry, carpet care. With just a portable cleaning machine he launched Marty's Carpet Cleaning. In 1972 Marty's was the first in Spokane to have a truck mounted cleaning machine. In the early '70s Marty was divorced, raising three kids and starting a new business. It was through that new business that Marty made a connection that would change his life.

He was called to clean the carpets of a young single mom. A few chance circumstances lead to a double date and after an hour of meeting Diane Kelly, he knew he would love her forever. Marty and Diane married on December 17th, 1977, just months after meeting. Their union would bring a fullness to Marty's life that he could have never dreamed possible. He became a stable father to Diane's children, Kevin, Kerri, Mickey, and Tim. He gained his beloved brothers Ted, Jim, and John. And together Marty and Diane built LPM Supply, a leading business in carpet cleaning and restoration.

Marty had many interests and hobbies, and he was adept at teaching himself. Wanting to get in better shape he become an expert on weightlifting. A fantastic cook and baker, Marty was the family go to person for all cooking questions. And he was the best at celebrating. Decorating their family home for every holiday. Marty and Diane's home was a warm and inviting place for family, friends, and neighbors.

Marty was preceded in death by his father and mother and by his beloved wife Diane (deceased 2018) He is survived by his siblings Frank, Margaret, Ted, Jim (Jill), John (Casee); his children Kevin, Tami (Casey), Kerri, Mickey, Marty Jr., Monica, and Tim; and all the people who called him grandpa, Casey (Harper), Jasmine (Loic), Kenji,

Mackinley; Tristen, Kaitlen, Morgen (Riley); Sydney, Jordan; Josh, Breawna, Cole; Jeramine, Sonja, Crystal; Madison and Jadyn.

Our family would like to thank Dr. Kaya with Cancer Care Northwest for your counsel and the staff at Hospice House North. A celebration of Marty's life will be held on Thursday, August 19th at 3:00 in the Sunset Chapel at Fairmount Memorial Park, 5200 West Wellesley, Spokane. A reception will follow at the family home.

A Celebration of Life was held on August 19, 2021 in Spokane, WA

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