



Paula Snow

March 5, 1963 - March 10, 2026

Paula Snow, beloved mom, yaya, sister, and friend passed away peacefully on March 10th, 2026, at St. Raphael Nursing Home in Valley City, ND at the age of 63 after a courageous battle with breast cancer.

Paula was born in Sacramento, CA on March 5th, 1963, a daughter to the late Paul Eugene and Beulah Ann (Schott) Williams. She grew up and attended school in Rio Linda, CA graduating from Rio Linda High School in 1981. Paula worked for the State of California and retired in 2021 as a Legal Analyst after 27 years. She was very proud of her work there and cherished the lifelong friendships she made. Anyone that knew Paula knew that her daughters and grandchildren were her greatest joy in life, as was her beloved 'sweet nectar' (coffee). She was the proud mother of three daughters; Emily, Jessica, and Michele; and four grandchildren, Carson, Benji, Carter, and Parker.

Paula was preceded in death by her parents. Paula is survived by her daughters, Emily (Andrew) Thompson, Jessica (Katarina) Snow, and Michele Snow; grandchildren, Carson Thao, Benjamin Thompson, Carter Thompson, Parker Thompson; and siblings, Samuel (Brenda) Williams, Mark Williams, Larry (Laurie) Williams, Jack (Kim) Williams, Patty Westerinen, Steven (Sue) Williams, and Thomas Williams.

Paula enjoyed spending time at the beach, shopping trips with her girls,

enjoying a good meal at a new restaurant, and passing the time with Nickels or Farkle. Paula will be deeply missed by her family and friends that were lucky enough to know her. Although she is sorely missed, there is comfort knowing she is at rest and no longer suffering.

Paula's family thanks CHI Home Health & Hospice for their support and guidance during these last few months. They would also like to thank staff at St. Raphael nursing home for the amazing care and love they showed Paula. Knowing that in her last few weeks she was surrounded by friendship and laughter provided a lot of peace to her family.

A celebration of life will be held at a later date in California. More details will be provided by her daughters. Arrangements have been entrusted to the care of Traditions Funeral Services - Oliver-Nathan Chapel, Valley City.

Tribute Wall



“ Paula was one of my first friends when I started at DOJ. She was a loyal friend and defended those she cared for fiercely. I will always remember her with respect and fondly. She was one of a kind. I will miss her

John Bryan - March 14 at 01:42 PM

JW

“ I am heartbroken to read this news. I loved working with Paula at DOJ back in the day. She was a consummate professional and had such a great sense of humor too. May her memory be a blessing.
Jennifer Wells

Jennifer Wells - March 14 at 01:39 PM

DF

“ I am profoundly grateful for being a part of Paula's care in her last few months. She was a lady with a profound love for her daughters, grandchildren and all who she knew.
Her trust in God was a great solace to her.
May you, the family, sense God's presence and the strength and peace that it brings.
- Chaplain Dave CHI Hospice

David Fisher - March 13 at 12:05 PM

DR

Breaks my heart 💔. Paula may you Rest in Peace, Sweetie. Heaven gained another Angel 😇. Prayers sent for your family a friends. May your love for the Lord give them peace and comfort during this difficult time. 🙏

Dorothy Reath - March 15 at 02:17 AM

SR

Like John, Paula was the first person I met when I started my state career at the DOJ. She showed me the ropes of being a state employee.... And she always helped me whenever my DAGs dumped a "rush" filing. Although we only worked together in Torts for probably one year, we stayed in touch as we both promoted and ultimately retired. We both loved being with it kids and grandkids. She will be deeply missed by her family and a big circle of friends and colleagues. God bless you with eternal rest Paula. Sharon Rodriguez

Sharon Culton Rodriguez - March 17 at 07:55 PM