



And just like that, Aubrey is 13 years old!

And check out her new stylish hairdo to go along with becoming a teenager!

Being Robert and I were in Lake Oswego last week, we had the privilege of being part of Aubrey's celebration ON her May 14th birthday!



Northern Exposure

Robert and I loaded up Brooklyn and Morgan into our **new-to-us** Pathfinder to test out its

roadability and headed north to spend a week in Oregon and Washington, first to visit the Pines in Lake Oswego then to visit my Mom in Bellingham where we spent one night at the GuestHouse, our favorite motel. We brought lots of warm sweaters, coats, and even umbrellas expecting cool temperatures and rain. We were in for a pleasant surprise: Lots of California-like weather in both Oregon and Washington almost every single day!

Besides being able to spend a lot of time outside on the deck at the Pines, there was outdoor go-carting, dinner at Dave and Stacey's one evening on their beautiful outdoor deck under a warm, starry night followed by s'mores on their new barbecue pit. There was even badminton and volleyball playing on their expansive lawn. On our last full day, we enjoyed eating lunch at a local eatery **on the patio**.

Get this though, when we arrived back in Napa, it was so cold, we had to turn on our furnace!



My sister, Donna, passed away on May 4th, 2021.

A celebration of life for Donna was held May 8th in Sedro Woolley attended by a **very large** number of family and friends.

On May 18th, her three girls Sherrie, Connie, & Tammy, my Mom, my sister, Bonnie, Robert, and I all gathered at our family lake-house to honor Donna's wishes for her ashes. After releasing her ashes into the water off the dock at the house, Robert took a special memento photo of all of us girls on the steps going up to the house from the lake, a house filled with memories of friends at the lake, of swimming, fishing, boating and partying in the basement great-room to



jukebox music while playing pool & shuffle board, a house where all four of us girls were married.



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