



## Robin Leete Schodt

April 22, 1960 - June 7, 2020

Robin Leete Schodt 60, passed away peacefully in her home on June 7th, 2020. She figured she might as well - there was nothing good on TV. Rumor is that both Wendy's and Jimmy John's took a hit in the stock market on that date due to anticipated loss of sales.

Born on April 22nd, 1960 in Wakefield, Rhode Island as a daughter of the American Revolution, descended from Mayflower Pilgrims and a colonial Governor of Connecticut, it is perhaps surprising that she still managed to receive a D- in her American History class at the University of Utah.

A proud co-creator of National Woblob Day, Robin attended South Kingstown High School, where she forged many lasting friendships. As adults, Robin and some of these friends (you know who you are), were nearly banned from Eat'n'Park for blowing straw wrappers at each other while dining at the Monaca establishment. Robin will definitely be remembered for her playful spirit and her dry sense of humor.

At the University of Utah, she enjoyed skiing and teaching her college friends that Rhode Island is not, in fact, an island. She also delighted in correcting their pronunciations of "orange", "horror" and "Boston". After graduating with a degree in Recreational Therapy, Robin worked in Washington, D.C. for US Airways. It was there that she met her husband, Randy. After a few years of dating, Randy eloquently proposed by presenting Robin with a ring and saying, "Here, put this on." They were married on May 30th, 1987.

Robin and her family moved permanently to Monaca, Pennsylvania in 2000.

Much to the chagrin of her Steelers-loving neighbors and friends, she continued to support the New England Patriots. Shortly after moving to PA, Robin began working at Penn State Beaver as a library assistant, where she found some truly wonderful and supportive friends in her colleagues. She continued working there until her retirement in April 2020. This was an unexpected career choice for a woman who, in her youth, used to practice cartwheels in the space between bookshelves in her middle school's library. At least her New England upbringing had prompted the purchase of a typical librarian wardrobe - LL Bean seasonal motif sweaters and sensible shoes. About twelve years ago, Robin was diagnosed with a spectacularly unlikely version of cancer, ocular melanoma. She received radiation therapy and lived seemingly cancer-free until 2019, when it was discovered that the cancer had come back and metastasized, largely in the liver and lungs.

She leaves behind her father, William Leete of Wakefield, Rhode Island, her sister Amy (Thomas) MacDonald of Vienna, VA and their four sons, as well as her loving husband, Randy, who can now drive as fast as he wants to even though "Randy, can't you see that it's raining?" She also leaves behind her daughters, Rebecca Guthrie and Amy Schodt, and her highly appreciated son-in-law Taylor Guthrie (T-Man), as well as nieces, nephews, many friends, some very special aunts- and uncles-in-law, and a somewhat-used red kayak (price on request).

Robin was preceded in death by her beautiful mother, Doris Knight Leete, a rambunctious basenji, Bonnie, a carrot-loving guinea pig, Brownie, a marvelous yellow lab, Schooner, two Cavalier King Charles Spaniels, Wally and Maggie, and thousands of pet fish. Prior to her death, Robin was inconclusive on the question of whether she loved her children or her pets more. We'll never know for sure.

As further proof of her love for animals, her final words were "Randy, please buy our daughter Amy a puppy for her birthday, and don't forget to feed my fish."

Robin's friends and family will think of her always, but especially whenever

they read a Peanuts cartoon, compete for most losses in a neighborhood bunco game, complete a jigsaw puzzle, go fishing, or play pickleball - all things that Robin enjoyed. We (yes, even you, Taylor) will cheer on the Boston Red Sox on her behalf. Her daughters will also think of her every time they hear a song she used to sing around the house, and they will wonder whether the official lyrics or Robin's misheard and made-up ones are better.

Although she had once been accused of crushing dreams since 1991, Robin was a kind, patient and selfless mother. She was an exceptionally good blanket-fluffer and door-cracker. Becky trained her well. Robin was also an amazing gift-giver. Every special occasion was made even more special by her thoughtfulness. She was also an attentive daughter (often called "Mommy's little helper" by her mother), a wonderful wife, and a truly amazing friend. She wasn't a great cook. She defined "cooking" as defrosting things in the microwave, but hey, you can't be everything in this life.

She will be missed greatly!!!! (Exclamation addition c/o Becky as that is her favorite punctuation, the excessive use of which was often remarked on by Robin.)

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# Previous Events

## Memorial visitation

JUN 13. 1:00 PM - 4:30 PM (ET)

Anthony Mastrofrancesco Funeral Home, Inc.  
2026 McMinn Street  
Aliquippa, PA 15001  
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## Service

JUN 13. 4:30 PM - 5:00 PM (ET)

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# Tribute Wall

JS

“ Randy and family. So sorry to hear of Robin passing our prayers go to you all. She was a wonderful friend. She will be missed by all. Jim & Pat Speer & family

James H Speer - June 13, 2020 at 10:32 AM

RS

Jim and Patty and family....thanks for writing...miss you guys.

Randy Schodt - July 08, 2020 at 10:51 AM



“ Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.



June 12, 2020 at 04:06 PM

AK

“ Robin was a kind, intelligent and gentle soul. I was always so glad to see her when I still worked on campus. She had a smile for everyone. Rest in peace, Robin.

Amy M. Krebs - June 12, 2020 at 01:29 PM

SB

“ Randy and Family: I am so sorry for your loss of Robin. Continued prayers for your family.

Susan Bradford

Monaca, PA

FedEx employee and friend of Randy

Susan Bradford - June 12, 2020 at 11:09 AM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.*



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June 12, 2020 at 08:24 AM



Elizabeth  
McBride

“ *I didn't know Robin but her obituary was sent to me by Google as I have the term ocular melanoma set as an alert. I too have ocular melanoma. I am also a lifelong obituary reader. I love obituaries that make me wish I had known the person, and Robin's obituary does that. Her sense of humor surely helped her face the diagnosis of ocular melanoma. She sounds like she was a lot of fun, and I know her family and friends will miss her terribly. May the happy memories sustain you as you mourn. And in her memory please get a dilated eye exam if you haven't had one in the past year.*

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**Elizabeth McBride** - June 11, 2020 at 11:33 PM

RA

*Thanks for writing, and sound advice about eye exams! Take them seriously, and pray that good treatment of all cancers will be discovered soon.*

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**Randy** - June 15, 2020 at 11:09 PM

JB

“ For Randy and Family,

*Buzz and I met you and Robin before you dated each other. We were there during your beginnings and even attended your wedding in Rhode Island. We were a young fun group that worked at USAirways. Our jobs were mundane but we had Robin...the glue that held our group together. She was fun, always made people feel safe...never judged. Her authentic, never take yourself too seriously attitude, gave us all permission to relax and be ourselves. People naturally gravitated to Robin. It's no wonder Randy was smitten with her.*

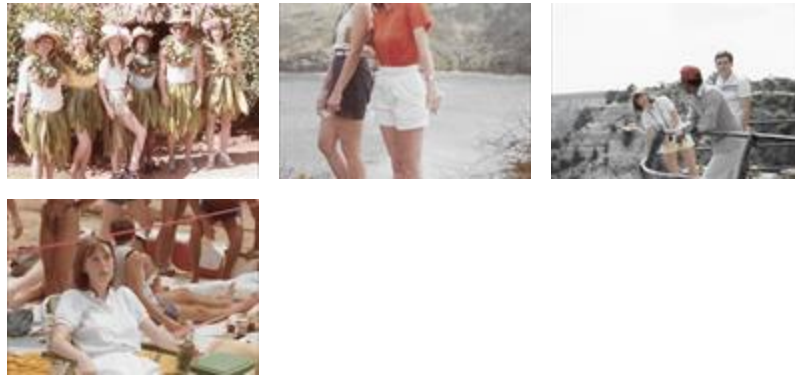
*I have treasured memories of those days, tubing in Arizona, traveling to Hawaii, 4th of July in Washington, DC and taking a road trip to the Grand Canyon. As life in aviation changed we moved apart and lost touch. Robin and I, thankfully were able to reunite virtually on Facebook 15+ years ago. I always wished we could have lived closer to each other. I know I would be a better person with Robin's influence...and our daughter would have had the pleasure of knowing your lovely family.*

*I admit, I've been hit hard by Robin's illness and passing. I recently heard a Maya Angelou quote that resonated – 'your legacy is every life you have ever touched.' Robin sure touched my life. It takes a very special person to make such a positive impact even after all these years. It makes me realize that while Robin may be gone, her fun and loving spirit - her legacy...will live on in all our hearts for eternity.*

*Becky and Amy, Thank You for keeping us informed and showing us how to manage life's tougher times elegantly and how to pass this life gracefully. Your tribute to your mom is priceless...authentic and fun, just like her.*

*Sincerely and with Love,*

*Jo Ann and Buzz Bisnath*



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**JoAnn Bisnath** - June 11, 2020 at 11:36 AM

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“ *As a fellow librarian, I owe my career to Robin. When I was fresh out of school, despite not having communicated for years, Robin reached out to me. She helped me get an interview, and even though I didn't get that job, the experience, along with her advice and encouragement, helped me get the job I have now.*

*All that is to say nothing of the great person Robin was outside of the library as well. Words cannot express how much I appreciate what she did, and I can only try to emulate her in my career and life going forward. She will be missed, and my heart goes out to all her family and friends.*

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**Librarian** - June 11, 2020 at 10:39 AM



“ *Enchanted Cottage was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.*



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June 11, 2020 at 08:00 AM



“ *Lavender Reflections Spray* was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.



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June 10, 2020 at 12:31 PM



“ *Adoring Heart* was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.



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June 09, 2020 at 10:33 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet* was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.



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June 09, 2020 at 12:20 PM



“ *Arrive in Style* was purchased for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.



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June 08, 2020 at 09:14 PM

DF

“ *Dave, Rick & Dan Schodt Families purchased the Basket Full of Wishes for the family of Robin Leete Schodt.*



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**Dave, Rick & Dan Schodt Families** - June 08, 2020 at 08:14 PM