

Rebecca L. Gordon

Rebecca Lynn Gordon, 52, a life-long Fairbanksan, died in a nursing home in Redmond, WA, on Sunday, Nov 3, 2002, after a long battle with a rare brain disease.

Born in Fairbanks at St. Joseph's Hospital on April 9, 1950, Rebecca attended Denali Elementary, Ryan Junior High and graduated from Lathrop High School in 1968. She attended Stanford University before returning to Fairbanks. For the past 17 years she was the office manager of the Alaska State Virology Lab on the UAF campus.

Rebecca will be remembered always for her incredible strength and courage and for the unconditional love and support that she gave selflessly to her three children and others.

Rebecca was preceded in death by her father, the Rt. Rev. William J. Gordon Jr., the third Episcopal Bishop of Alaska.

Rebecca is survived by her three children, Jessica Lynn Chisum of Los Angeles, Airman Jacob Gordon Chisum of Tinker Air Force Base, OK, and Andrew Michael Kelley of Fairbanks; her mother Shirley Gordon; brother Bill Gordon and his wife Bonnie all of Fairbanks; sisters, Paneen Gordon Davidson of Everett, WA, and Anna Gordon and her husband Pete Kangas, of Mercer Island, WA; six nieces and nephews, Alli and Clark Gordon, Kate Lamperti, Matt Davidson and Carline and Nick Kangas.