Marilyn Elaine Jacob



SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

Rest in peace, Marilyn Elaine Jacob.

Loving mother, grandma, sister, daughter, friend and wife and, most importantly, gardener.

Words cannot describe how much you will be missed.

Marilyn Elaine Jacob was born in Gravelbourg, Saskatchewan to Kathleen and Joseph Jacob. She was the eldest of 6 siblings and had fond memories of spending most of her childhood out on the family farm.

She graduated valedictorian from Gravelbourg Convent High School in 1965 before going into nurses training. She was part of the graduating class of 1968 at Grey Nuns Nursing Collage and went on to work as a nurse in La Ronge, Saskatchewan.

All her life, she was adventurous, loving and treated everyone like family.

Travelling was an important part of her life and she spent time travelling across Canada and throughout Europe prior to settling in British Columbia in 1980.

She worked as an ICU nurse in various cities across Canada, ending her career in Abbotsford B.C. when she was diagnosed with cancer in 2000. Throughout that time, she devoted her energy to patient care.

She loved nothing so much as nature and was an avid gardener who grew all manner of fresh fruits and vegetables. She also enjoyed spending time outdoors by walking her dog and was a cheerful member of Aldergrove's dog walking community.

Marilyn was a strong Saskatchewan farm girl who fought hard in her battle with multiple cancers over the years. Thank you to Dr. Seimens, Dr. Shaikh, the BC Cancer Clinic and the Abbotsford Hospice Society for all the care you showed Marilyn during that time.

Marilyn is survived by her two daughters, Jennifer Lokau (Wes Lokau) and Kendra Reger, as well as her dog, Bear. In addition, she is survived by her granddaughter, Emma Lokau, step-children Julie Sim (Benton Sim), Andrea Kruck (Rob Kruck) Chris Reger, and step-grandchildren Talon Henry, Kaiden Sim, Brodie Reger and Olivia Reger. Finally, she is survived by her sister Gloria Grill and brothers Sheldon, Rod, and Terry, as well as many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by her husband, Ken Reger, and her sister, Jacquie Jacob.

A memorial service will be held at Lutheran Emanuel Church in Aldergrove at 11:00 am on Saturday, September 18th.

In lieu of flowers, please consider donating to one of the various causes Marilyn supported:

Red Cross:

https://www.redcross.ca/donate/appeal/donate-to-the-canadian-red-cross-fund#a0650cb6-ce29-4c40-b663-e749a0a9163f

Doctors Without Borders:

https://www.doctorswithoutborders.ca/donate

Children's Hospital:

http://www.bcchildrens.ca/donate

Messages of Condolence

You fought a great battle my friend.
We became friends through our children. Happy we became friends
If I needed any advice on my flower gardens Marilyn you definitely were the person to ask. Your back yard was bountiful and beautiful. At times felt like wonderland
Your smiles and laughter will be missed
Alas I can’t be there on Saturday to say my farewells. So Olivia and Oma we’ll take some flowers to the River and say our farewells. I will tell her stories of Marilyn…… memories
Love Gloria

— Gloria (Reger) Gloria

I was so blessed to have Marilyn for a forever friend for over 50 years. From nurses training to our first job in LaRonge. She was my bridesmaid and she was family to all our Johnson crew! I loved her sense of humor, the twinkle in her eyes and her sense of adventure. We shared so many wonderful times. My heartfelt sympathy to all her family. She will always be remembered.

— Elaine Dosenberger (Johnson)

Hello Marilyn... you are now in a wonderful heavenly place, having fun with all the Angels, playing games and teaching them a few things from
your life....wonderful days on the Farm....lots of fun memories from our COUSIN gatherings, and of course your Nursing love and care.
Till we meet again....love Ruth Breitner (nee Jacob)

— Ruth Breitner (nee Jacob)

I know that Marilyn was quite taken with this poem spoken at dads funeral so I kept it tucked away just for her!
She Took The Prairie (Delores Reimer)
She took the prairie with her when she left, stood on the field for hours.
Gazing intently on the horizon, slowly circling it was tucked inside of her.
Beside her heart and close to her memory.
On the coast she could stare out to sea, and replace it with the prairie.
Sometimes she would return, take out her prairie, and unwind it back to full size, fearing someday its immensity would explode within her.

— Cheryl Werner (Frederickson)

Rest In Peace dear Cousin.....May the angels take you under their
Wings and give you Peace and Joy....till we meet again.

— Ruth Breitner

Thank you for notifying us of Marilyn's passing. On behalf of the RGNH Grads, please accept our heartfelt condolences.
With Sincere Sympathy,
Linda Bachmann (on behalf of the RGNN Alumnae)

— Linda bachmann

Peace at last my friend! You were a great gardener, animal lover, and I will always remember your giggles, and the fact you taught me how to drink Scotch!

My condolences to your daughter, and the rest of your family.

— Donna McClean

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