Debora May Nielsen

MAY 6, 2021

Debora May Nielsen, born on August 20th 1955, passed away peacefully on May 6th 2021.

Debora is survived by her loving husband Johannes Nielsen (Toedge), her son Kurt Nielsen and daughter-in-law Sarah Nielsen, her grandson Travis Nielsen, daughter Tris Nielsen, her brother Richard Kachur and her mother Helen Kachur. The family was at her bedside when she passed. We thank the doctors and nursing staff at Holmberg House - Abbotsford Hospice Residence - for their kind care and attention to Debora.

Debora was a caring wife, mother, and grandmother. She was always thoughtful of the needs of others. Her passion to live life to the fullest was inspiring. She loved to travel, play golf and pickleball, and to spend as much time as possible with her family.

Debora had two careers during her working years. She first worked doing merchandise displays at Woodwards. When she became a mother she stayed home to care for her kids. When Kurt and Tris got older she went back to college and graduated as an Education Assistant, a job at which she worked for a number of years before retiring.

At the request of the family, please do not send flowers. Instead please send donations to your favorite charity. Two good options are Abbotsford Hospice Society and BC Cancer.

Messages of Condolence

I am a friend of Patrice T. and I met your mother on a couple of occasions. She was very welcoming and kind to me when I “tagged along”. I enjoyed her good company.

— Lesley

I was a fellow EA and had the opportunity to work With Debora. She was an awesome EA and touched many lives with her kindness. Always enjoyed her sense of humor. She was one strong Lady. I am very sorry for your loss.

— Lorrie Felbel

I met Deb when I was new at being an EA at Bear Creek Elementary. She was so kind and so calm! She was excellent with the students! She was a wonderful human being!

— Gillian Hayter

I met Deb at Bear Creek Elementary. We shared many work experiences and had lots of laughs over our lunch breaks. She was very kind, gentle and caring. Family meant a lot to Deb.
My condolences to all.

— Linda Corbishley

I worked with Deb at Bear Creek for many years. She was always quick to smile and patient beyond measure. I remember how important her family was to her, she was so happy to talk about her son and daughter and her loving husband, she was so proud of them all. Deb made a difference for so many kids who didn't have someone in their corner. The world is a better place because Deb was in it. My deepest condolences.

— Diana Williams

I met Debora through my friend Patrice, golfing a few times together and at a birthday celebration. I remember her as very friendly and kind-hearted. But I knew her best through stories Patrice told of the long friendship they had and how supportive and caring she was as a friend and mother.

— Lynn Swanson

I had the pleasure of working with Debra. Being quite new to the position, Debra was a huge inspiration to me. She was very kind and loving to her students.

— Linda Joyce

I had the pleasure of working with Deb at Bear Creek Elementary. We partnered together to form the Green Team, drink box recycling for the school. We shared so many laughs and good times with our kids and special outings were the best. We also partnered together with a couple of students and that worked well. Debra was a kind soul and we sure had fun with our students. So very sad for your loss.

— Shirl Wallin

I was good friends with her daughter at one point in my life and Debora was like a second mom to me. Always welcoming, amazing and kind. She will be greatly missed.

— Hayley

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