

Maureen Pepin

DECEMBER 24, 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Maureen Pepin on December 24, 2022. She leaves to mourn her husband Alfred (Fred) Pepin, daughter Jane, granddaughter Chelsea, great-grandsons Lliam, James and Andrew; Pepin relatives Ernie and Paige, Lynn (Dan), Noah and Jacob; brothers Terry (Norma), Derek (Irene) and sister Sandra, many nieces and nephews, cousins and their children.



Maureen was born in Vancouver, attended Lord Kitchener Elementary and Lord Byng Secondary. She then attended UBC, where she earned her BA (1955) and her teaching certificate. She later completed her M.Ed at Western Washington. She taught at Kitsilano and Killarney Secondary Schools before moving with her husband to a south Aldergrove farm in 1962. After teaching at Clearbrook Junior for one year, she spent 22 years at Aldergrove Secondary as a teacher and vice-principal. She served as Langley Teachers' Association President in 1973-74. She became vice-principal at Langley Secondary in 1984 and retired in 1992. She worked part-time at the Langley Education Centre for several years.

Married to A.E. (Fred) Pepin since 1977, Maureen and Fred have continued to live on their beef/horse farm in south Aldergrove. Paige (Alan), Jane, Chelsea, Lliam, James and Andrew also live on the farm along with numerous horses.

Maureen was an active member of the Fraser Valley Hunt Club for thirteen years and volunteered at the Valley Therapeutic Equestrian Association. She was

Chairperson of the Langley Scholarship Committee for over thirty-three years, looking after all of the scholarships for the secondary schools in Langley School District. She was also on the Board of the Langley Foundation for nine years, before turning over all of the scholarship work to the Foundation. Since retiring from teaching she has been an active member of the Langley Retired Teachers' Association, volunteered as a docent at the Langley Centennial Museum for twenty-four years, edited "The Place Between", a history of the Aldergrove area, and compiled the "Roads and Other Place Names in Langley", and the "History of Langley Schools". She has also been a member of the Langley Heritage Society, along with her husband Fred. The Pepin picnic was her favourite event every August for many years.

In lieu of flowers, please donate to the Pepin Family Scholarship, Langley Foundation, Langley School Board office at 4875 - 222nd Street, Langley, BC V3A 3Z7.

In memory of Maureen, she will be cremated and her remains will be placed in the Pepin family plot at the Murrayville Cemetery.

A celebration of Maureen's life will take place on Saturday, March 11th at 11am. It will be held at the Langley Golf and Banquet Centre, 21550 44th Avenue in Langley. Enter off 216th Street just south of 44th Avenue.

Messages of Condolence

I am so dearly sorry for your loss. Please accept my heartfelt condolences to Maureen's family and many relatives. RIP

— **Carol Boudier**

Our condolences, love and prayers to Fred and all the family. Maureen served her community well and will be missed. May the knowledge that many people care for you help make this difficult time a bit easier to go through.

— **Grace Muller**

Maureen's obituary speaks for itself. Such an amazing legacy from an inspirational educator! Langley will be eternally grateful for her contributions and will be missed by all who knew her. Rest in peace Maureen.

— **Sue Mackenzie**

I wish the family strength in love and companionship as they mourn the loss of this much beloved lady. I did not know Maureen well but through Fred and the BC Farm museum I knew of her. I have a fond memory of the time I took my 3 year old grandson to their farm and Maureen took him for a ride on the wheelchair with her and they let him climb on the tractor and see the horses. We had a lovely time with her and Fred, never to be forgotten.

— **Shelly Broeckx**

My deepest sympathies to you all. She was a wonderful person and I truly enjoyed our conversations over the years. Her contributions to Langley will never be forgotten.

— **Heather Newport**

Such a respected and beloved educator. I will never forget her time at Langley Secondary. A true mentor. As scholarship counsellor at LSS I used to chuckle to myself throughout our meetings. She had a remarkable way of getting us all to do it exactly the way she thought was correct. In actuality, she had done so much of the prep work she made it easy for us. My family will always remember with great fondness the year-end staff parties at their farm. So many of our staffs' children had their first horseback ride with Maureen or Fred at the helm. She was so committed and dedicated to everything in which she was involved. To use the word 'legend' would be an understatement. RIP Maureen.

Chris Arcari
Langley, BC

— **Chris Arcari**

To Fred and family our thoughts are with you all as we hear of Maureen's passing. She was a wonderful and dedicated lady as testified by her obituary. It was an honour to have known her. Rest in Peace Maureen.

— **Barry & Barbara Hill**

My condolences to Fred and his family. Maureen was a great community volunteer and served her local community well over the years. She will be sadly missed. Our prayers are with your family during this sad time.

— **Ian Campbell**

My sympathies to all the family. I knew Maureen when we both worked at Aldergrove Secondary School 1970-1973. She was the seasoned veteran, I the rookie teacher trying to learn the ropes, and she was always most kind and helpful. A classy lady indeed.

— **Rick Sutcliffe**

I only know this amazing woman through the legacy she leaves in her daughter and granddaughter. Her accomplishments are remarkable. My deepest sympathy to all who loved her.

— **Karen Scott**

I have never forgotten "Mrs. Puls", my teacher at Killarney High School and was devastated when she left for another school. Best teacher ever. My condolences to her family.

— **Donna Ornstein (Rowan)**

As a member of the school board and the foundation board I loved this powerful lady.

At a new foundation we were an enjoyed a humble beginning with respect to SCHOLARSHIPS, Maureen took us into the big leagues. As she ran the scholarship committee for the district, she humbly managed \$1 million... Which she brought into the foundation.

I have huge respect and love and admiration for this quiet, hard-working soul.

I bless her memory and am grateful to have known her.

Please let me know when the celebration of life is as I would love to attend.

— **Rod Ross**

I heard of Maureen's passing from Ron Wilcox yesterday. We are very sorry for your loss. Please take care of yourself Fred. You are one of the best neighbor one can hope for. Always helpful. So if there is anything we can do please do not hesitate to call me. We're just up the street
Condolences to the Pepin family

Bill and Sharon

— **Bill Yeung**

Maureen was such a truly wonderful woman. I will always be thankful that I had the good fortune to work with her for many years. I admired her tremendously and enjoyed her friendship. Sincere condolences to Fred, Jane and all the family. May you rest in peace, Maureen.

— **Alison Hewitt**

I worked in the office at Langley Education Centre and had the pleasure of working with Maureen while she was there. She was quite witty and we had a few laughs together. A wonderful woman. My condolences to Fred and family.

— **Moira Daly**



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