Catarina "Cathy" Maria Ricks



AUGUST 2, 2014

RICKS, Catarina “Cathy”
June 19, 1949 – August 2, 2014

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of Catarina Ricks, who passed away after a courageous battle with cancer, on Saturday, August 2, 2014 at the age of 65 years. Catarina will be lovingly remembered by her beloved husband, Garry; her children, Laurie (Todd), Sherry (Brad), Michael (Stacey); her six precious grandchildren. She will also be missed by her brothers, sisters, and extended family. Catarina had a deep love for God, her family and her many friends. Visitation will be held at Cornerstone Church, 1227 – 48 Avenue NE, Calgary on Friday, August 8, 2014 at 10:00 am with the Funeral Service to follow at 11:00 am.

Messages of Condolence

Cathy and I worked together for twenty years at Airdrie Koinonia Christian School. No one was more deeply committed to the school, the staff, and the children than Cathy. She was a pillar of strength and a constant source of wisdom. Many times she would come into my office and ask, "Are you sure we should do this?" I always listened because I knew she had a deep sense of what was both morally right and academically excellent. She helped set the standards for the school.

She was also very attuned to the needs and concerns of staff, students, and parents. Often she would slip into my office to ask, "Were you aware that...?" And, I usually wasn't...

She helped me to be a better principal and a better person. She was, in many ways, a "den mother" to all of us at AKCS.

She was a great friend. We will miss her.

— Brian Hazeltine

On behalf of Cornerstone Christian School (Koinonia) please accept our sincere condolences on the loss of your wife, mother, grandmother. We will hold your family in prayer as you mourn your loss. Sandy Sergeant, Principal.

— Sandra Sergeant

Garry and family.....we extend our sincere condolences on the passing of your dear wife Cathy. We were shocked to see the write up this morning in the paper and could not believe what we saw. Please know that you are on our minds and in our hearts at this sorrowful time. Hoping to see you again soon on our many visits to Airdrie...take care..Pauline and Dale Allsop and family (Taber)

— Pauline and Dale Allsop

Mike, just wanted to let you know we're thinking about you guys right now. Even thought I didn't get to know your Mom, I know it takes a very special person to raise such a damn good son & friend. We send you thoughts of peace and courage in this difficult time. Hang in there, buddy. Our thoughts are with your and your family and may God to give you the strength to overcome this loss.

— Blaine Ham

Garry, I want to give you my sincere condolences on your loss. Cathy was a great lady! She touched many lives and was a positive influence to many. I didn't know her very long but I always enjoyed her company. She always took time to visit when we were together. My thoughts and prayers are with you and your family at this time.

— Norma McWillie

