

Dayla Jean Parry

Dayla passed away early Sunday morning November 5, 2023 at The Priory in Victoria. She is survived by her husband of 50 years, David, her daughter Laura (Stuart), grandsons Adam and Oscar and her twin sister Dianne (Christopher) as well as niece Angela and nephews, Michael, Kurt and Jeff. Predeceased by her sister Valerie Robson.

Dayla was born in Calgary, Alberta where she attended The University of Calgary obtaining a Degree in Sociology. Her love of books and libraries led to a Library Technician Diploma from the Southern Alberta Institute of Technology. As an avid reader she was always a member of a book club. She worked with books in various special libraries plus volunteered extensively in disadvantaged school libraries when living outside Canada. She took great joy in spreading her enthusiasm for books and reading to children especially her grandsons.

Dayla and David lived in: Calgary; Aden, Yemen; Buenos Aires, Argentina; Bogota, Colombia and Victoria, British Columbia. Always up for adventure, their travels also took them to many parts of the world where Dayla's Million Dollar smile, infectious laugh and vibrant personality always made new friends. Dayla especially loved to travel with her twin sister Dianne and her husband Christopher. Upon retiring to Victoria, Dayla became a dedicated "birder" through the Victoria Women's Newcomers Club and Swans.

Dayla's fun-loving energy always brought a positive and inclusive spirit to everything she did. She was big on life. Her unconditional love, compassion and caring nature for family and friends touched everyone who were lucky enough to know her.

Dayla's great joy was her family and she especially loved

sharing in the lives of her grandsons, Adam and Oscar and being the best grandmother, she could possibly be.

We would like to give a heartfelt thank you to the staff at The Priory for the compassion and dedication to providing great care to those suffering from dementia.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Society.

A celebration of life is being planned for sometime early in the new year.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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