Diane H. Macpherson (Annetts)

Diane was born and raised in Waipukurau, New Zealand. She was the eldest child of Heather and Ian Annetts who farmed on the Wilder Road. Her sister is Judith and her brother is David. Growing up on the family farm, Diane developed strong family values and a love of nature and the country.

Diane attended Iona College and later the Wellington Institute of Technology. She embarked on a career as a legal assistant before heading overseas to Toronto where she took a job at Canada Life. It was here that she met her future husband of fifty-one years, Andrew (Tav) Macpherson. Diane and Tav were married in July 1973 having moved to Calgary in 1972. They had two children, Scott (1976) and Julie (1979). The family moved to Regina in 1980 and Victoria in 1985.

Diane worked as a sales representative and as an administrative assistant for a tech company until 1996 when she teamed up with Tav's business, the Macpherson Bradford Group Ltd, as Executive Administrator. The couple retired in 2012.

Diane was a committed and effective genealogist and created an extensive tree for both sides of the family. An outdoor enthusiast, she loved to spend time in her garden, at Uplands Golf Club, traveling or socializing with her many friends. She was also a strong supporter of Tav's Rotary efforts and is a Paul Harris Fellow and Major Donor. Annual visits to New Zealand allowed her to keep in touch with friends and family. Grandson Mackenzie (age 6) added an extra spark in Diane's Life.

Diane fought a long and painful battle with cancer before she died peacefully at home. Tav, Julie and Scott were at her side. The family wish to thank all those who have sent words of encouragement and those who have, in other ways, given us

meaningful support. Special thanks go to Dr. Dabrus and her assistant Terry. They looked after Diane with care and compassion over many years and particularly in the final six months. Also, thanks to Dr. Drake for his compassionate care at the end.

There will be no service on request and in lieu of flowers, contributions to the SPCA or the Victoria Hospitals Foundation would be appreciated.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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