

Diane Larsen

On Wednesday, July 8th, 2020, Diane Larsen passed away suddenly at the Royal Jubilee Hospital in Victoria, BC, at the age of 57. Diane was born in RCAF Station, Goose Bay, Labrador on March 15, 1963. She grew up in Lawrencetown, Annapolis County, Nova Scotia. From a very early age, she developed a passion for drawing and painting. Diane became a gifted artist; a talent she would pursue her entire life.

She earned a diploma in Graphic Arts from the Annapolis Regional Vocational School in Middleton, NS. For a few years, Diane worked at the *Bridgetown Monitor* and then attended the College of Geographic Sciences in Lawrencetown, graduating with a diploma in Cartography.

Diane was employed as a cartographer in Prince George for two years before moving to beautiful Victoria, where she raised her three children whom she loved dearly.

Most recently, Diane was a kind and caring art instructor at a care facility in Victoria. Multiple sclerosis forced her into early retirement; however, her spirits never dampened. She kept a positive attitude while creating lovely works of art each day. Her courage never faltered, even when recently diagnosed with pancreatic cancer.

Diane will be remembered as a loving mother, thoughtful daughter and sister, and talented artist. Through her paintings and drawings, she conveyed her love for her children and her appreciation of nature.

Diane was predeceased by her mother, Marion Daniels. She is survived by her children, son Carl Olivotto (Vancouver), daughters Yvonne Olivotto (Vancouver) and Bianca Olivotto (Victoria); father and step-mother Clemm and Phyllis Larsen (Brandon, Manitoba); sister Kathryn (Roger) Sturtevant

(Bridgetown), and brother Kristofer (Lynne Bryant) Larsen (East Gore). She also leaves to mourn other relatives and dear friends from coast to coast.

Donations may be made to the Multiple Sclerosis Society, the Canadian Cancer Society, or a charity of your choice.

“Go out and paint the stars.” – Vincent van Gogh

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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