

Dolly Bond

Dolly was born into a large family in a small fishing community near Curling, Newfoundland. At an early age, her independent spirit inspired her to move across Canada, where she eventually settled on the West Coast.

Dolly was predeceased by her husband, Jack, in 1982, and is survived by her sons; Mike (Penny) and grandchildren Matthew and Megan; Doug (Cory); John (Leslie Slater); daughter, Barbara (Ian Simpson) and granddaughter, Olivia.

She was very close with all four of her children. A visit to her Victoria store, "The Cotton Club" would always include conversations about the lives and careers of her family. Dolly established her own silver jewellery and cotton clothing business, initially in Nanaimo, and then in Victoria, where she worked for the last 37 years. She was very knowledgeable regarding silver jewellery, and especially enjoyed interacting with the local First Nations artists. The Cotton Club was Dolly's passion, and she was well known throughout the business community. She had a lively, fun personality in all her dealings with her customers and suppliers.

Dolly was a kind and compassionate person, especially to individuals and animals in need.

Dolly travelled extensively throughout South East Asia, Europe, Canada and the U.S. with her family and friends, successfully mixing business with pleasure. She was sharp-minded and spirited, and always up for a competitive game of cards with her friends and family.

A special thank you to the medical team of doctors, nurses, volunteers and support staff at the B.C. Cancer Agency and on VGH 6N for all the support and kindness extended to Dolly throughout her illness. The family also wish to thank the B.C. Ambulance Service and Father Dean Henderson.

Dolly received great solace through prayer and attending mass. At her request, a funeral Mass will be held at Holy Cross Catholic Parish, 4049 Gordon Head Road, Victoria, on Monday, September 18th at 1 pm, with light refreshments to follow.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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