Guadalupe Buchwald

Buchwald, Guadalupe (Chavez Diaz) passed away after numerous medical issues on July 22, 2016 at the Victoria General Hospital in Victoria, BC while surrounded by loved ones.

She was born in Morelia, Mexico on March 2, 1940.

Guadalupe is survived by her husband David of 48 years, her children Paul and Anne-Marie (Mike), her grandsons Ben and Alex and her siblings Gabriel (Kathy), Lilia, Laura (German), Raul (Sylvia) and Rafel (Margarita). She will be deeply missed by many many people that she touched as part of her journey of life.

She faced many medical issues over the past number of years and always overcame them against difficult odds, yet she remained cheerful, stubborn and optimistic regardless and always was more concerned about the comfort and feelings of those around her despite any pain or discomfort she was experiencing.

Guadalupe lead a remarkable diverse life – activist, medical lab technician, biochemist, biology laboratory instructor at the University of Alberta, Tai Chi Instructor, Spanish teacher, Girl Guide enthusiast, photographer, natural history lover and explorer. In recent years, she developed a strong interest in the theory and practice of Family Constellations (especially at Haida Gwaii) and many aspects of Spirituality and Sacred Geometry. Our lives were greatly enhanced by her presence, devotion, persistence and love. She always searched for new ideas and perspectives. She always was willing to help anyone at anytime if she felt they needed support or assistance. She supported everyone in her life and always was giving of spirit and affection. Her goal was to know herself and her place in the universe and those who loved her know she passed confident that she was ready for whatever came next.

She was foremost a teacher but the subject matter changed constantly throughout her life. She taught Biology, Spanish, photography, Tai Chi, massage, relaxation techniques, Reki, Astrology, Spiritual Counselling and many more subjects as she saw fit. She was giving of her time and always drew great joy from dear friends and her family. She adored her grandchildren, especially spending time with them in nature and the outdoors.

She was a loving wife, a caring and supportive mom, devoted sister, a friend to all, a shoulder to cry on, warm arms to be held by and a voice in the moonlight. She was loved and loved with equal passion. She looked at the stars and the moon, lived on the earth and wondered what was next.

She will be grieved and greatly missed. For anyone reading this who is feeling sad or depressed in her passing, know that she is happy and resting somewhere with a cup of hot tea, smiling at all the love she feels from all of us.

A small private gathering will be held in Edmonton and her ashes will be spread in a Rocky Mountain alpine meadow which was one of her favorite places.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to a charity of your choice including the Canadian Diabetes Society.

Condolences for the family can be offered to the family below.

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