

# Jan Evelyn Won

WON (nee Oakley), Janice (Jan) Evelyn

July 21, 1947 – October 7, 2010

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Janice (Jan) Won on Thursday, October 7, 2010 following a courageous battle with cancer.

Jan was an incredible person. She was strong, positive and forthright as well as caring and compassionate. Jan's love and main priority in life was the welfare and well-being of her family who was by her side when she peacefully slipped away. She was a wonderful and loving wife, mother, grandmother, daughter and friend who will be truly missed. Her courage, strength and positive attitude and her concern for others were truly an inspiration to everyone who knew her. Jan was also blessed with many wonderful and caring friends who provided support during her ordeal.

Predeceased by her father, Bill Oakley, Jan leaves to mourn her passing, her husband of 41 years, Thorne, sons, Trevor (Stephanie) and Kevin (Alie), grandson Carson, mother Evelyn Oakley, brother David Oakley, close friend and sister-in-law Denise (Dennis) Lim and numerous aunts, uncles and cousins.

Born in Victoria, Jan graduated from Oak Bay Senior High and received her B.Ed. and M.Ed. from the University of Victoria. She became an excellent and dedicated teacher who always had the interests of her students at heart. Jan always encouraged those around her, colleagues and students alike, to be the best they can be and to recognize their own potential. Her teaching career spanned four decades beginning in 1968 with the Greater Victoria School District. During her career, she also taught in Richmond, BC, Montreal, Que., Courtenay, BC and, for the past seven years, at St. Margaret's School in Victoria where she was teacher-librarian.

We are grateful for the care and support provided by the doctors, nurses, staff and volunteers at Victoria Hospice and the BC Cancer Clinic. We are also grateful for the support and love shown by the St. Margaret's School community during Jan's illness.

It was Jan's request that there will not be a service. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in Jan's memory to the Victoria Hospice and Palliative Care Foundation or to the BC Cancer Agency.