

Jeanne Irene Effler

Jeanne Effler, of Victoria, BC, passed away Thursday, September 19, 2019 at the age of 71 years, after a brave four year battle with cancer. She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Guy Effler; two children, Shera Skinner (Ian Skinner) and Scott Effler (Julia Effler); two grandchildren, Lauren and Scarlett Effler; sister, Lynda Nicol (Fred Nicol) and numerous other family members and dear friends. Jeanne is predeceased by her parents, Clarence and Irene Vance and sister, Marilyn Vance.

Born April 22, 1948 in High Prairie, Alberta, Jeanne was one of three girls born to Clarence and Irene: Marilyn the oldest and Lynda the youngest.

Jeanne and Guy met in school and were married in 1968. They lived in Edmonton for many years before making Victoria home in 1996.

Jeanne had many jobs and careers over the years including working as a librarian and teacher in Jamaica and Melbourne, Australia; in the Physics Department at the University of Alberta; and as the Office Manager and then a life insurance agent at the Prudential Assurance Company. Jeanne and Guy were successful entrepreneurs, owning and operating many small businesses including Mmmarvelous Mmmuffins and Grabbajabba Coffee stores. Jeanne obtained her CGA designation in 2003 and retired from her job as a Canada Revenue Agency charities auditor in 2014.

In 2015, Jeanne was diagnosed with cancer. She did not lose her battle with cancer – she won by deciding to live her life to the fullest over the last 4 years, with grace, optimism, bravery and humour.

Jeanne touched many people over her lifetime with her characteristic good humour, down-to-earth nature and kind

manner. She was calm and confident, open and accepting, and always far more worried about others than herself, right up to her dying day. She will be missed by many.

Throughout the years, including over the past 4 years, Jeanne and Guy enjoyed many vacations and cruises together all over the world. Jeanne's favourite place was Kauai where the family plans to travel to scatter Jeanne's ashes and allow her to spend eternity with the dolphins and turtles.

A Celebration of Jeanne's Life will be held at 2pm on Sunday, October 6, 2019 in the Sequoia Centre at McCall Gardens, 4665 Falaise Drive, Victoria, BC.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the [BC Cancer Agency](#).

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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