

Marilyn Anne Cook

Marilyn Anne Cook, died March 27, 2024 in the 60th year of her marriage. She is survived by her husband Ron, children Tony and Michele, grandchildren Claire and Chelsey, and by her sisters Susan and Kathy and their children.

She was born June 9, 1943. That same year, in Italy, her father Robert Henry Barter became a Canadian Army casualty of WW2, leaving her mother a 17-year-old widow with two small children. Paternal grandparents took Marilyn in and raised her on their small farm near Cascapedia, PQ. She never forgot the affection of her Grampa, Granny, aunts, uncles and cousins. When she was near school age her mother remarried and Marilyn was reunited with her mother and brother. The blended family moved to live in Ottawa, Seattle and finally Vancouver, where Marilyn became known as Anne and where her sisters were born. She and Ron met on a blind date, married in 1965 and made Victoria their home in 1970, living at Prospect Lake until retirement and finally in Brentwood Bay. Above all, she loved children.

Ron (and Anne if she could) express gratitude for the care she received as cancer overtook her. To Dr. Amanda Wang for becoming Anne's family physician. To Peninsula Health Unit's community care nurses Emma and Vanessa for their in-home care and navigation guidance. To Saanich Peninsula Hospital for the facilities and care of its Palliative Care Unit. To palliative care specialists Dr. Lewis, Dr. Pan and Dr. Solanki for their expertise and compassion. And to the nurses of SPH's PCU – Chloe, Hailey, Kailyn, Martha, Montana, Nicole, Nikki, Stef, Sydney, Tiff, Tracie, Trixie, Wilson and the others – professional, personable, kind – just the best.

Anne's choices – private cremation, a discreet marker, no service or gathering. Arrangements by McCall Gardens Royal Oak.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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