

Sanja Minkica Hugo

Sanja Hugo (nee Walter) was born in Borova, Croatia in 1941 amidst the horrors of the Second World War. She graduated from the Brno University of Technology in Czechoslovakia with a degree in engineering and architecture.

She immigrated to Canada in 1969 with her son Robert and her daughter Daniela. She re-established her engineering career as a Professional Engineer in the design and construction of many large residential subdivisions in Edmonton. She then advanced through management positions within the City of Edmonton, including Superintendent of Water Systems with responsibility for the operation and maintenance of the City's water distribution system. In 1982, Sanja married her husband, Francis. Following her retirement in 1996, they moved the Cobble Hill area of Vancouver Island then in 2009, to Arbutus Ridge.

In 2002 she was diagnosed with CLL (leukemia) which she quietly battled with the aid of the BC Cancer Centre. After courageously fighting the battle for 23 years, the leukemia finally transformed into a more aggressive form of cancer, finally overtaking her on October 15th.

Sanja will live on in the loving memories of her husband, Francis Hugo, daughter Daniela Kuhner (Dave), son Robert Brynda (Alecia), grandsons Ben and Austin Kuhner, and granddaughter Madison Brynda and several cousins and grand-cousins.

Her life could best be described by the words of two of her favorite songs; "It's A Beautiful World" by Louis Armstrong and "I Did It My Way" by Frank Sinatra. Sanja is now at peace and has been relieved of any further worldly suffering. She will always be remembered by those who are left behind.

A funeral service and reception was held for Sanja on Monday,

October 20th, in Cobble Hill. She will be laid to rest in Lumni Cemetery in Three Hills, Alberta.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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