Wendy Ann Sobkowicz (nee Munro)

In Loving Memory of Wendy Ann Sobkowicz (nee Munro)

Wendy, a beloved wife, mother, grandma, sister, and friend passed away peacefully surrounded by her immediate family on June 17, 2025. Though her time with us was far too short, the love she shared, the kindness she extended, and the memories she created will remain with us always.

Born and raised in Victoria, BC, Wendy grew up with fire in her spirit and wheels under her feet – whether it was playing hockey, Irish dancing, cheerleading or driving around in her Volkswagen, she surely had a love for adventure. She met her soulmate Ian Sobkowicz at Reynolds Secondary School – introduced through her brother Doug's friend group, their connection was instant and enduring, a true example of lifelong love and loyalty. They married in 1978 at St. Luke's Church – beginning a beautiful life together. They raised three daughters: Jenna, born in 1987 and twins Kyla and Tracy, born in 1991. Wendy stood proudly by their sides through every challenge and celebrated every achievement – always cheering from the sidelines of countless soccer games.

She was happiest with her hands in the garden, baking a wholesome treat, or swimming whenever the opportunity arose. Wendy, Ian and the girls cherished their time together as a family. When they weren't working on a renovation or tackling a yard project, they could be found adventuring into the wilderness – hiking, camping, four-wheeling, or setting out on countless boating trips to explore the local waters, with their most cherished destination being Desolation Sound. The family was also grateful to enjoy three generations of summers at the Munro cabin on Shawnigan Lake.

Wendy worked at the Royal Bank for many years, it was there that she met some of her lifelong best friends. Years later, going back to school to become a Health Care Assistant, her big heart and patience fit this occupation perfectly. She retired in 2017 on the Peninsula, shortly after moving to Sooke where she often walked Whiffin Spit with friends. Wendy became a grandma to Hope (Jenna) in 2019, devoting much of her retirement to spending time with family, being present during these years was so important to her.

In Wendy's final days, as she faced immense challenges of late stage and recently diagnosed pancreatic cancer, her kindness never wavered. Her gentle spirit, strength and quiet courage were deeply felt by everyone around her. She continued to think of others, offer love and share her warmth-even as she endured her own pain. Her grace in the face of adversity was truly inspiring, and she left a lasting mark on all who had the privilege of being near her. She leaves behind a legacy of love, resilience, and joyful adventure.

Many thanks to the entire team at The Royal Jubilee Hospital, most notably the palliative care floor during Wendy's brief stay.

Wendy is survived by her loving husband Ian, daughters Jenna (Cory & Hope), Kyla (Joe), Tracy (Taylor & expecting baby boy), and a wide circle of family and friends who loved her dearly. Predeceased by her parents Donald and Barbara, and brother Douglas Munro.

At Wendy's request, there will be no public service. A private celebration of life will be held by her immediate family near the ocean. Honor Wendy by doing something joyful in her memory – go for a swim, travel and explore new places. Most importantly, be kind to all.

Condolences may be offered to the family below.

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