



REID, Janet Mary (1975)

February 5, 1957 - March 17, 2023

Janet slipped away peacefully on March 17, 2023 following an unimaginably difficult and courageous 28 month journey that she faced with her characteristic unwavering determination, optimism, and faith.

She was predeceased by her beloved parents, Reg and Iris Reid (nee Mclvor) and is survived by her siblings Cliff Reid, Dave Reid (Bryony), Linda Reid (Steve Roome); nieces and nephews Colin Reid (Crista), Allison Reid Mollerberg (Gabriel), Miles Reid (Angie), Naomi Brennan (Kevin), Fiona Roome (David Pham) and Simon

Roome; great-nephews Raphael Mollerberg (Allison/Gabriel) and Gavin Reid (Colin/Crista), and a close network of friends in the United States and Canada.

Born in Victoria, BC, she attended Marigold and Uplands Elementary Schools, Lansdowne Jr. High, and Vic High, graduating in the Class of '75. Among other pursuits during this time, she especially enjoyed playing basketball, field hockey, and the flute.

She was always humble about her many talents. Having taken a substantial lead in a cross-country final, she allowed others to overtake her while she hid in the bushes for the final stretch, convinced she had made a wrong turn along the route!

Janet had a lifelong love of dogs and horses. As a child and adolescent, she doted on the family dog and spent countless hours at the former Victoria Riding Academy on Cedar Hill Cross Rd in Victoria. Cleaning stalls to cover the cost of riding lessons, Janet also found time to forge close friendships at the stables with Mr. and Mrs. Carly and many others, including her future sister-in-law, Bryony.

Janet shared a very close bond with her paternal grandmother, Clara Reid (nee Detweiler), a graduate of the Toronto General Hospital School for Nurses Class of 1916 and a WWI nurse stationed in Etaples, France. Inspired by "Nana", Janet entered training at the Royal Jubilee Hospital (RJH) School of Nursing and graduated with her RN in 1979.

She then embarked on a long career in nursing, initially at RJH and Victoria General Hospital on orthopaedic and urology floors.

Having an insatiable curiosity for learning and education, she followed in her Dad's career footsteps and obtained a Bachelor of Science degree and a teaching degree from the University of Victoria. Passionate about teaching science, she was described by a colleague as truly sparkling in the classroom.

Janet spent most of the past 40 years living and working in the United States, nursing in public hospitals in Atlanta, New York City, Washington, D.C., Miami and Phoenix. Over the past decade, she lived in and around Salt Lake City, Utah.

No matter where she was living, Janet never failed to remember family birthdays with cards and phone calls punctuated with her own special rendition of "Happy Birthday." Janet was blessed with many gifts including that of making friends easily and remaining loyal to them throughout life. She enjoyed a good laugh, typically while sharing anecdotes and stories, often beginning with the intro, "Here's the thing...."

The family would like to extend heartfelt thanks to the loving and dedicated team at Pointe Meadows Health and Rehab in Lehi, Utah who attended to Janet's health and spiritual needs, especially Sarah Scott, Mikki Allred and Karen Fielding; her close friends and tireless advocates notably Mary Louise and Lonny Arnell in Utah and Mary Burck in Vancouver, BC; and the many other loving caregivers, friends and family in Janet's extensive network of support.

At Janet's request, there will be no funeral or memorial service.

Janet will be forever missed and lovingly remembered by all her family and friends, until we meet again.

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