



**Patricia A. Hall ( nee Sinclair) (1953)**

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Patricia Adeline Hall on September 19, 2023. Survived by daughters Denise, Donna, and son Marty; grandchildren Ryan, Taleesha, Tyrus, Tracy, and Atlas; sister Sharon; brothers Bert (Barb), Ross (Donna). Pat also leaves behind many nieces and nephews. Predeceased by her parents Irene and Alexander Sinclair, as well as sister Peggy, brother Wayne, sister Brenda, and her former husband, Chopper.

Pat grew up in Victoria and graduated from Victoria high school in 1955. (sic) She found her love for sports during her high school years and played basketball, field hockey, softball, and track and field; she was also a good bowler. Mom was a candy stripper at the hospital, and waitressed at the Empress Hotel and later worked for the TD bank, where she was a loyal employee for the rest of her career. Many of her co-workers, especially Ellie and Marilyn, became lifelong best friends.

Mom travelled to many areas in BC training people and opening banks. Mom and Dad became involved in softball together at Heywood Park. The Stuffy McGinnis league was a passion for them both; Dad played and umpired, and Mom kept score, stats and announced the games. They moved with the league to Central Park, and Mom became the secretary, then the President of Stuffy, and then became a senior coordinator at McDonald Park Men's league. Mom was also the BC Fastpitch coordinator for 40 years.

Ladies' field hockey was a huge part of Mom's life. She loved the sport and she, alongside Ev Siglet and others, were instrumental in growing what became Vancouver Island Ladies Field Hockey. Mom held every position on the field hockey board, and also for BC Field Hockey.

Pat was recognized in 1982 as the 'Victoria Sportswoman of the Year' and went on to be honoured with many other awards, including: 1995 BC Women's Federation President's award for her dedication to sports; was inducted into Softball BC Sports Hall of Fame in 2013; in 2020, she was inducted into Greater Victoria Sports Hall of Fame; and more recently was inducted into the Canadian Field Hockey Sports Hall of Fame. Mom traveled the world playing with the Golden Oldies. She has a bursary in her name for Field Hockey, and recently gave an award in her name at the Governor General's at the GVSA awards.

Pat balanced her work and sports with her love of cards with friends: Emil, Bob and Ernie, and Cathy and Jim. Pat loved animals, and had many cats and dogs over the years, though she missed and loved her boy Buddy most.

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