

## REMEMBERING Catherine Falavolito

March 7, 1960 - April 18, 2018



Surrounded by her family's love, Cathy passed away peacefully at Campbell River District Hospital from pancreatic cancer.

Cathy spent the first 12 years of her life criss-crossing the country with her family and then settled in Maple Bay. She spent her high school career playing saxophone in the band, singing in the school choir, working on school committees, and hanging out with friends. She decided to see more of the country as an adult and headed off to Carleton University in Ottawa for a year to study journalism. After one year she transferred to SFU in Burnaby and then finished off her degree in a tiny cabin on Nootka Island. She graduated with a major in Political Science and a minor in Criminology. Cathy's greatest love was her two boys. She loved spending time with them and watching them grow, and marvelled at the strong young men they have become. She also loved her pups - Laci and Lobo will miss her too. Cathy is the founder of Westview Marina and built it up over the last 27 years. She always said that she couldn't have done it without John by her side. She was an advocate for the town of Tahsis in tough times and spent many, many hours working for the community. She worked with the town council, the Economic Development Council, the North Island Tourism Association and more.

Cathy, through the marina, has always supported the Salmon Enhancement Program and contributed to the beautification of Tahsis. Cathy and John spent a few months most winters in Los Bareilles Mexico and while they worked remotely down there, they also had a rich social life. Much like in Tahsis, Cathy fostered a feeling of community - often hosting Christmas dinner for anyone who wanted to come - just bring your own chair and share.

Predeceased by her mother Joscelyn Richmond (2014) Cathy leaves behind her sons Ryan Daynes and Warren Daynes, her loving husband John Falavolito, her father John Richmond, brother Greg (Joan), sister Pam (Doyle) and families along with the extended Falavolito clan of kids and grandkids, as well as many, many

friends in Tahsis, the US and Mexico.

A Celebration of Life/Memorial Tea for Cathy will be held in Victoria on June 23, 2018 at 1pm, Sacred Heart Church Hall, 4040 Nelthorpe St, Victoria BC.

Westview Marina will be hosting a complimentary buffet supper (donations to The Canadian Cancer Society gratefully accepted) and scattering of Cathy's ashes on Sunday May 27/18 5pm.

The Family would like to thank the many doctors, nurses and health practitioners on Vancouver Island for their outstanding care of Cathy throughout her year of trying to stay ahead of the cancer.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society - Cowichan Valley Office. #103-225 Canada Avenue, Duncan BC V9L 1T6

