



REMEMBERING Louise Starke

January 3, 1950 - May 13, 2012



Tribute from H.W. Wallace Cremation and Burial Centre Staff

H.W. Wallace Cremation and Burial Centre Staff send our condolences to family and friends. Our thoughts and prayers are with you all.

Tribute from Brenda Reid

Relation: Friend

Rick and family, sorry to hear of your loss. Our thoughts are of you and your family. God bless you all.
Brenda and Allan

Tribute from Marjie Lalonde

Relation: co-worker at the red balloon

Louise was a joy to be around and always lived life to the fullest. I am incredibly sad not to be able to see her smile again, and I send my most heartfelt condolences to her beloved Rick and family.

Tribute from Franciscan Poor Clares

Relation: Friend

Dear Rick and family

All of us here at St. Clare's Monastery send our prayers and condolences to you on the death Louise.

The sisters remember her coming to the monastery last year as a nurse who helped us with one of our terminally ill sisters. She was a very caring and compassionate person.

Rick, know that you are in our thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

Sr. Margaret and all the Poor Clare Sisters

Tribute from Linda and Rick Boksteyn

Relation: sister of Nellie

So very sorry to hear about the sudden passing of Louise. Nellie and Don always shared wonderful stories about Louise. May your wonderful memories of Louise sustain and comfort you and your

family.

Linda and Rick Boksteyn,
Medicine Hat, Alberta

Tribute from Coni Long

Relation: Friend

Sadly I say goodbye to my amazing friend of over 32 years, who was always there for me, stood up with me at our wedding, one of the strongest women I know, an inspiration to me, an encourager, listener, a great personality, an unforgettable character... I could go on and on. I will always remember your laugh, your smiling face, your generosity, acts of goodness, and your tremendous courage. You will be forever in my heart and you'll always be my best friend. Your memory is our keepsake. xoxo

Tribute from Walter and Coni and family

Relation: Family friends

Our hearts are breaking over the loss of our dear friend Louise and our hearts hurt for Rick, Donna, Steve, Adrian and Jeffrey. We have many, many wonderful memories of Louise and will miss her smiling face. She loved a party, people, family, friends, social gatherings, surprises, dressing up, laughing, music, dancing, Christmas, good food, holidays, travel, the outdoors, cooking, reading, upside down Christmas trees, gargoyles, dinosaurs, Star Wars, nursing, cats, shopping, red shoes, good movies, skating, acts of goodness, etc. - she loved life and lived it every day. She was an inspiration and will be forever in our hearts. Our love and condolences to all who loved Louise.

Tribute from Janice

Relation: Louise was my Mother's Nurse

I just want to say what an amazing nurse Louise was. We were truly blessed to have her for Home Visits during my mothers illness.

Louise's love of life and career shined through and helped us with our challenges we faced. She was an amazing woman! I will always remember how she touched my life! my thoughts are with you.

Tribute from Jim Smith

Relation: Family

Rick, Donna, Steve:

Our family is so sad to hear the sudden passing of Louise. Louise and Rick have always been so good to me and particularly to my parents the last few years. Rick and Louise have always been so supportive and Louise has helped me with her knowledge of healthcare with my parents and recent medical issues. Louise is appreciated for the good work she has done and I will be forever grateful for everything she has helped my family with over the years.

Jim Smith (Cousin to Rick & Louise)

Alvin Smith (Uncle to Rick & Louise)

Dariel Smith (Aunt to Rick & Louise)

Tribute from Krista England

Relation: Friend ('neice')

Along with all those who also loved her, I am deeply saddened by Louise's passing, but am so grateful to have had her in my life. She was an incredible lady - strong, independent, loving and full of life - someone that I looked up to and connected with. She and her beloved family - Rick, Donna and Adrian, Steve and now Jeffrey - were there for all my big moments in life (graduation, wedding) and small (summer holidays, dinner for a starving student, shopping trips). I have SO many wonderful memories of Louise and her family - and so many things will bring Louise into my heart - Saxer's beach, hot tubs, Star Wars, toys, dressing up, shopping, corvettes (she let me drive hers to my grad dinner!), Las Vegas, long walks and talks, etc. I loved her adventurous spirit and feel so privileged to have been a part of the surprise she planned for my mother's 60th birthday in Las Vegas. Her spirit lives on in her children and grandchildren - and I look forward to reminiscing about the wonderful memories that Louise helped us to create and making new ones in the future.

Tribute from Robina Scoular

Relation: Client/Friend

I am so grateful for the support and guidance I received from Louise and will always remember the kindness and impression she left on my family. My sincere sympathy to her family during this sad time.

Tribute from catherine fraser

Relation: co worker and friend

I have fond memories of wonderful staff retirement parties at your place. It was always lively and fun. When Donna was to be married I recall all the preparations and details and the beauty shared and how Louise wanted it just right. On the birth of your grandchild I remember how attentive and loving you were and are. When Louise walked past the health unit I have fond memories of conversations. I appreciated her humour, kindness and aliveness. I will light a candle and view the service with you today from Victoria as I will be with my mom. Many blessings to all the family and I am sorry for your loss, may you have the support of loving friends and family at this sudden and unexpected time of loss.

Tribute from Gerry and all the staff of Ingram Pharmacy

Relation: personal and business

Louise's professional approach and care of her family and patient care will be missed by us all at Ingram Pharmacy. She always brought a smile to the store. My warmest thoughts go out to you Rick and to her family.

Tribute from Cathy Campbell and Ian Russell

Relation: We know Rick through his work.

Rick... We are sad to learn of Louise's passing. Although we didn't know her, it is obvious from your heartfelt and moving tribute to her in the obituary that you were two of the lucky ones who found your soul mates in life. What a gift you gave to each other, and what wonderful memories you'll have to sustain you through all the days ahead. We're thinking of you... Cathy and Ian.

Tribute from Tara & Neil Cooke

Relation: Friend

I feel like I've known Louise nearly my whole life... I have so many memories - her laugh, her smile, her fun-loving, outgoing personality - she was always so giving to others and she loved to have a great time. I know how much she will be missed by everyone who knew her, and she was a friend to so many. I will treasure my memories always. Sending our most heartfelt wishes as this difficult time to dear Uncle Rick, Donna, Steve and family. RIP Auntie Louise. Much love always, Tara and family xxx

Tribute from Peggy and Roger Aeichele

Relation: friend

Hi Rick, Donna and Steve:

We wanted to attend Louise's service but John asked us to look after Ciana and when we found out we could watch the service on line we were thrilled. it was wonderful!! thanks technology.

Recently we were going through photo albums as we were packing up our belongings and we came across photos of your family, ours, and Marita, Will and Troy. Remember the birthdays and christmas's at the Keg in Nanaimo? I am sure Louise was the organizer. we had such great times.

Our thoughts are with you as you go through this difficult time.

Roger and Peggy

Tribute from Peg

Relation: former co-worker Duncan HCC

What a sad day it was to hear of Louise's death. I worked with Louise two years ago before I left BC to move back to Ontario. I recall many a shift where she looked at my workload and decided that she would find a way to lighten it. This, in spite of her own very full workload. She was a mother hen. How sad that we lost her on Mother's Day. Louise was also the one to take on overtime work or come in on her day off if we were short staffed. She had energy to spare! My heart goes out to her family, friends and co-workers. Louise has left her mark on the world and she will be missed. Safe journey Louise!

Tribute from Rob and Mhairi Gunn

Relation: neighbour

Louise was an excellent nurse, a huge help to us during a very difficult time. Rick we hope that in time your many wonderful memories will bring some comfort, Louise touched the lives of so many and we are truly sorry. We will not forget and will think of Louise every time we walk to town!

