



REMEMBERING
Patricia Tryon

January 30, 1952 - July 4, 2021



Pat died suddenly at home after an accident.

She was pre-deceased by her parents, James Tryon and Virginia Tryon (nee Ramsay). She is survived by her spouse of 40 years, Rose Lippert, and her siblings Jim Tryon (Heather Tryon), Allan Tryon (Joyce Johnston), Gordon Tryon, Robert Tryon and Diane Eyben.

She was especially close to her niece Cordelia Tryon and her Godchild Colette Berryman, and she was so proud of their careers and families.

Pat was a pragmatic feminist. Finding her English degree from Simon Fraser University virtually useless in the job market of the late 70's, she entered a trades program in Northern B.C., acquiring her carpentry certification after a winter apprenticeship in Dawson Creek. She and very few other women were the first to be employed in heavy construction in the 80's in B.C. She was also a skilled finishing carpenter, working on the interior renovation of the Empress Hotel. As a small holder and farmer, she built several barns, out buildings and greenhouses, often by herself.

Once again making the most practical transition, in her forties, she retrained as a Care Aid and worked more than 25 years at Cowichan Lodge and Cairnsmore Place. A fierce advocate for the elderly, she always called it as she saw it, and was one of the last HEU staff to leave when Cowichan Lodge was closed.

Pat was a fearless beekeeper and an accomplished dressage rider. A true Aquarian, she had the ability to do extraordinary things and make them look easy.

Infinite gratitude goes to the heroes who attended the accident scene transcending chaos to do their jobs: BC Ambulance and Paramedics teams, Lake Cowichan RCMP, Volunteer Fire Dept., Coroner's Service and their support staff, and Victim

Services (WAVAW). Also, to the angels who arrived as if sent, Kerry, Susan, Howard and Phil, many, many thanks.

Pat was a lover of all animals but especially Havanese dogs and Andalusian horses. Any contribution to the BCSPCA will preserve her memory.

Cremation has taken place. A celebration of life will be held at a later date.

