

REMEMBERING Sandra Ruth Sudmant (Sandy)

June 20, 1956 - June 30, 2019



I am very saddened by the passing of Sandy and offer my deepest condolences to her family and friends. I first met Sandy in 1987 on Salt Spring Island when I became one of her many grateful patients. She was also my son David's dentist and I was amazed as to how he entrusted her to work on his teeth. David has special needs and was very scared to have his teeth looked at. She was so wonderful with him, patient and compassionate to the utmost. Now almost 32 years later he will allow his dental work to proceed as anyone else. For that I am most grateful for Sandy and her steadfast, patient and cajoling manner with him. May she find peace now and I wish the same for her family. With love, Gloria and David

Tribute from Laura Kennedy

Relation: Close Friend

Sandy was in my life since I was a child. She was always friendly and loved sharing her vast aray of knowledge. Over the past 5 years my family became very close to her spending Birthday's and Christmas' together where we were lucky to learn even more about the woman she was. She shared my love of Star Trek, Harry Potter and Disney Parks. She was enthusiastic and passionate about anything she took an interest to. I loved listening to how she figured out her quiltsher attention to detail and patients was above and beyond.

Her latest interest was paper pop ups- which at first glance sounds simple- but she spent at least an hour explaining the basic intricacies of it and produced amazing art with that knowledge. She loved baking with my kids, lego and building new structures and weapons out of paper and cardboard with them.

Losing her has left a huge hole in our lives. We loved her dearly and will miss her always.

Tribute from Emily Chilibeck O'Connor

Relation: Friend/Family

I have so many fond memories with Sandy. From exploring her house, learning about all of her art and hobbies, to the fun she brought to our family gatherings.

As a child I remember going over and learning to paint Ukrainian eggs with her and her helping my mother sew my sisters ballet costume.

My son loved playing with his grandma; building blocks, playing cars and making music. She was always patient and loving with him even when he decided to destroy the towers they built or interrupt her piano playing.

She will live on through memories we have from our many holidays spent together. Her whimsical way of play that brought a lot of laughter and curiosity from our children and her thoughtfulness that showed us such care.

Sandy/Grandma -

Those special memories of you will always bring back a smile. If only I could have you back for just a little while. Then we could sit and talk again, just like we used to do. You always meant so very much and always will too. The fact that you're no longer here will always cause me pain. But you're forever in my heart until we meet again.

Tribute from Margaret Tames

Relation: Patient

Sandra was our family dentist for all the time she practiced in Duncan. Over the years we grew to love her. Her larger than life personality truly made "going to the dentist" a fun activity. We are deeply saddened by the news of her death and send condolences to all who knew and loved her.

Tribute from sonja van lambalgen

Relation: my children and i had her as our dentist she was a very nice person,,,

she was a great person left us all to soon ...when moved saskatchewan i still made an appointment to see her for check-ups on my holidays our condolences to the family

Tribute from Colleen Davy

Relation: in a work capacity and later through family.

I had the pleasure of working with Sandy through my public health work. My grandson is the recipient of one of her amazing quilts. Please accept my sincere condolences to all her family and friends. She will be missed!

Tribute from Margaret St Cyr

Relation: Musical colleague and friend.

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