Mrs. Brigitte "Gitta" Quigley

February 10, 2018

GITTA QUIGLEY (NEE RITTER)
Gitta passed away peacefully on February 10, 2018 at home with her family after fighting a courageous battle against metastasized breast cancer.
Born July 23, 1952 in Neuss, West Germany, Gitta worked with the German government on WWII reparations before immigrating to Canada in 1972 as an au pair. Finding love in the dashing architect Garnet Quigley, they were happily married for 40 years.
Bon vivant, badminton enthusiast and hobby chef, Gitta was a glamour queen, daring wisecracker, and social snowbird. She loved to dine al fresco, drink wine, garden, travel to sunny locales, and walk with her rescue dogs. Gitta was a caring mother to Jennifer (Pascal) and Kyla (Scott); spirited stepmother to Christopher and Angela; Nitta to Tyler; Nana to Collin; magnetic friend; the life of every party; and pal to many furry and feathered creatures.
The memorial service will be held at St. Augustine of Canterbury Anglican Church, 1847 Bayview Avenue, on Saturday, February 17 at 2 p.m. Donations in her name may be made to the Toronto Humane Society.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

FEB **17**. 2:00 PM (ET)

St. Augustine of Canterbury Anglican Church
1847 Bayview Avenue
Toronto, ON (CA)

Tribute Wall

MR

Oh Garnet, I am so sorry for your loss. Gitta was such a vibrant, funny, strong woman. You were both welcoming and interested in everyone you met at any gathering. She will be sorely missed. Remembering a funny story will recapture her smile and laugh. My deepest sympathy to you and all your family. Take care of each other. Mary Redington

mary redington - February 18, 2018 at 10:16 AM

CW

So sorry we had lost touch of late.
We will always fondly remember Gitta as the glamorous life and soul of the party. Our deepest condolences
Gavin and Carol

Carol & Gavin Winter - February 16, 2018 at 08:25 PM

SR

Dear Garnett, Kyla and Jennifer along with the rest of your Family.

We want to say how sorry we are about your loss of such a wonderful Woman Wife and Mother. We got to know you both through our Daughter's Kyla and Alexandra . Unfortunately they drifted apart in there teenage years .The best of friends at John Ross Robertson public school .Gitta was always warm and welcoming to the girls friend.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this very sad time in your lives.
Susan, Lorne and Alexandra Rotstein

Susan Rotstein - February 15, 2018 at 07:45 PM

MW

Dear Garnet - So sorry to hear of Gitta's passing. I didn't get to know her very well, but always had a nice chat when we met at parties or dinners. Your write-up in the Star was beautifully written and fills in some of the things I didn't know about. Will be thinking of you as you go through the memorial service and trust that all will go well. Much love to you and your family. Maureen Woods

Maureen Woods - February 15, 2018 at 02:53 PM

JL

Dear Garnet and family,
We are so sorry for your loss. We will miss Gitta, as she was such a special person. We're unable to come to the service, but our thoughts will be with you.
Love Jane and Tony

Jane and Tony Lockley - February 15, 2018 at 05:41 AM

PQ

Dear Garnet and Family:
My deepest condolences to you and your family. I first met Gitta in 1993 at the Tuesday ladies badminton group and have always known her to be kind, generous, fashionable, and genuine. Over the years, we have shared many good times at our social gatherings and she will be greatly missed.
Fondly and sincerely Patty Quinan

Patty Quinan - February 13, 2018 at 09:40 PM

JE

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Jennifer - February 13, 2018 at 04:18 PM

DK

Garnet; you will have to put on your thinking cap and go back to Lambton Kingsway Public School days and hopefully remember Jane Ryding and Doug Kay. We were so sorry to hear of your loss and want to express our sympathy to you and your family. Doug and I live on the West Coast in Salem OR. We have been out here for 49 years but our hearts are still in Toronto and we try to keep up with the news and obituaries through The Globe & Mail and the few classmates that are still alive. Our thoughts and prayers are with you.
Jane & Doug Kay

Doug and Jane Kay - February 13, 2018 at 02:36 PM

DL

Garnet and family,
We are so shocked and saddened to see Gitta's obit in the newspaper. Though we have not been in touch in years, the memories come flooding back to the times we worked and socialized together. Very very sorry to hear of her passing. The obituary is a lovely tribute to her life.
Doreen and Jamie Levitz

Doreen levitz - February 13, 2018 at 12:41 PM

LH

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Linda Hodgson - February 13, 2018 at 11:58 AM