



Mrs. Dora Joanne Biggs

May 12, 2014

JOANNE BIGGS (Konachowicz), May 12, 2014. Joanne set out from her Calgary home and met future husband, Bob, in Toronto. With devotion to family and a knack for thoughtful touches, she was adored by children Susan and Steven (Shelley). Joanne took delight in grandchildren Jake, Emma, Quinn, and Keaton. Joanne's many friends from the Aphasia Centre, Studio Artists of Thornhill, and North York YMCA were very special for her. Despite cancer in her final years, Joanne had a zest for life and continued taking courses and going to the gym. In the final days of her long hospital stay, she kept a positive outlook and a focus on going home. Private family burial. Joanne radiated warmth and made people smile. In lieu of flowers or a donation, remember Joanne by showing warmth to those around you.

Tribute Wall

LC

“ Dear Bob, Susan, Steven, Shelly and Little Ones,

I just can't imagine a trip to Toronto without seeing Joanne. My next visit will be a tough one. I'm sorry I can't be with you all but I send all my love and wishes for happier times.

Linda

Linda Cream - June 10, 2014 at 03:35 PM

JA

“ Dear Steven , Susan , Bob, Shelly & Grandchildren ,

I wish to convey my deepest sadness & sorrow on the passing of your Mom and Grand Ma after her difficult journey.

It is wonderful God & Jesus allowed you all to share " Mother's Day " together on such a bright sunny day .

It is a blessing she is no longer in pain & suffering . Your Mum was always such a kind & positive person making all persons around her feel happy & well.

She was like Mother Nature always taking care of the family plants , flowers , vegetables , fruits in the garden to provide harvest & fine food to your dinner table.

I have known my cousin Joanne for almost 80 years . She was always very kind & helpful to family friends & others. I will miss her positive outlook on life & also her painting & other things.

As we are very closely related in body , mind & spirit, I wish you to know how sorry we are & are prepared to do anything to help support you now and with your plans for her remembrance and celebration of life.

I am pleased we always kept good communications together & now at this time it is more important than ever. She would be pleased we our maintaining our family relationship & love for her.

All My Sincere Love & Sorrow & Happiness to have shared my life & memories with your wife , mother , grandma & cousin Joanne...

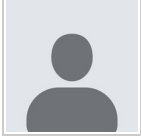
Love Cousin Ed & all our family..... All Our Love To Joanne & You All....

Jane - May 21, 2014 at 08:12 PM

DB

“ Joanne we didn't know you well but when I met you I knew you were a light for your family and husband. Your grandchildren cherished you! I love how your family asked us to share your warmth with those around us. Your spirit is still with them and always will be. Donna & Keith

Donna Balzer - May 20, 2014 at 03:14 PM



“ You have all been in our thoughts these several days. Wonderful memories spring to mind of our annual picnics at Presqu'ile Provincial Park. Jo always brought with her delicious food for all. We have Bob's photos to remind us of those good times. In later years there were annual visits to Kingston and Jo arrived with gifts galore including blackberries from your garden. She had the gift of empathy and knew how to offer understanding. Both John and I have lost a good friend and we share with you in your grief.

Janet and John Olson
Victoria
BC

Janet Olson - May 18, 2014 at 06:40 PM

ER

“ Dear Bob, Sue, Steve & Shelley and family,

We were so sad to hear of Joanne's passing and we want you to know that we're thinking of you during these difficult days ahead and offer our condolences to all of you.

I met Joanne and Bob at the Aphasia Centre many years ago and then (my) Bob and I connected with both of you at the Y and remained friends for many years. We will certainly miss Joanne's kindness and loving ways but we will hopefully be able to continue our friendship with you, Bob.

Love,
Bob and Ellen Robinson

Ellen & Bob Robinson - May 18, 2014 at 06:10 PM

SA

“ Dear Rob, Susan, Steve and Shelley -

I was so sorry to hear of Jo's death. Instantly I remembered her kindness, warmth and generosity to people she had just met - me being one of them. Our tennis games at Davisville Tennis Club with Anne and Bill, BBQ's at "258", and having a special bond as we were both legal secretaries in Toronto way back in the '60's!

It was nice to connect with you again when I was in Toronto to say farewell to Anne and Bill.

I know you will cherish your memories.

*Sue (Armstrong) Angus
Edmonton*

Susan Angus - May 18, 2014 at 11:28 AM

GW

“ Gloria Waddell. lit a candle in memory of Mrs.
Dora Joanne Biggs



Gloria Waddell. - May 17, 2014 at 02:48 PM

DC

“ *Bob and Family,
I was saddened to hear of Joanne's passing. I had the pleasure of driving both Bob and Joanne to many activities and appointments, you were the very first people I had ever picked up. Joanne showed me how to enjoy working with people and how to have a great time while still doing what had to get done. She will be missed by everyone whose life she touched. My deepest condolences
David (driver from Circle of Care)*

David Feldman driver from Circle of Care - May 16, 2014 at 10:16 PM

TF

“ *Bob, Sue, Steve and Shelley. We were so sorry to hear about Joanne. She took part in everything that was happening and always with a smile. She will be missed.
With deepest sympathy
Paul, Judy and Meredith Faires*

the Faires family - May 16, 2014 at 07:16 PM

SC

“ *I was looking at a picture from your wedding day this week and remembered oh so many fond things - your special Christmas Cake; going to the "Y" with you; sitting down to have a farewell Gin and Tonic in your lovely backyard in 1985 before I went to Europe; seeing you surrounded by Steve, Shelley and all your wonderful grandchildren as we pulled out of Steve's driveway 3 years ago.*

But beyond all these wonderful memories I remember you as a voice of wisdom with a warm heart. Through all the trials and challenges life threw your way you were someone who could be relied on - always.

Our love to you Auntie Jo - Scott, Holly and Dawson

Scott - May 16, 2014 at 11:58 AM

MF

“ *Masee Family lit a candle in memory of Mrs. Dora Joanne Biggs*



Masee Family - May 16, 2014 at 10:16 AM

JP

“ *I will fondly remember Joanne as a very sweet person, who had a sunny outlook and was full of positive energy. I can still see her climbing up our cherry tree at our cottage in Vineland! She and my father were distant cousins who shared a love for gardening and art, and I hope they are together now. May the memory of your wonderful wife, mother, and grandmother be everlasting. With sympathy, Janet Patrick*

Janet Patrick - May 16, 2014 at 08:18 AM