



Elizabeth Anne Atherton

June 17, 2023

Just shy of her seventy-first birthday, Elizabeth Anne Atherton (nee Blake) passed away unexpectedly in the comfort of her own bed on June 17th 2023.

Born on July 11th 1952 and predeceased by her loving parents, Allan & Mary Blake, Elizabeth was the eldest sibling to Lynne Blake, Paula Blake Dryla (Jeff), and her brother Peter Blake. She loved being "Uncle Lizzie" to her neice Kaleigh Dryla Broadwell (Doug) and nephew Blake Alexander Dryla, and recently became Great Uncle Lizzie to Autumn Dryla Broadwell. Elizabeth has left a Mom sized hole in the hearts of her two daughters, a.k.a "her pearls", Meaghan (Mike) and Robyn (Dennis).

Born in East York, Elizabeth grew up in Scarborough, and graduated from Woburn Collegiate. Following in her father's footsteps, she "bled Scotia Bank red", working for the respected financial institution before retiring with over 40 years of service. Elizabeth greatly treasured the countless relationships she forged with her co-workers over the years, with an almost mystical ability to recall exactly in what branch, department, and/or year she first met any Scotiabanker she bonded with. Being involved in the great Y2K conversion, managing "the boys club" 2nd level support team, and helping bring chip card technology to South America were some of her proudest work accomplishments.

Liz was known for her funky tights and high heels, her laughter, and the sparkle in her eye. She loved life, her friends, and loved her family immensely. Despite some tumultuous health incidents in the last 5 years, she maintained close personal relationship with life long friends and will be missed by Donna Warrender, Carol Trim Coombs, June Johnson, and her best friend of over 65 years, Ann Harrison.

A celebration of life is in the works (Liz loved a good party!) and will be scheduled for the fall. If you would like to be notified, please send an email to celebrationforliz@gmail.com with your name & contact information. As soon as the details have been finalized, we will reach out. The family is extremely thankful to everyone who has reached out during this difficult time and appreciates your patience as we work towards planning a proper send off.

Tribute Wall

SM

“ *Such vibrancy
Such intensity
Such a zest for life
Such sadness I feel.*

susan morton - September 07, 2023 at 10:33 PM

LB

“ *Lynne Blake - Sister of Elizabeth
" Bless you sister, and thank-you for the memories.
You were a kind and gentle person.
Gone but not forgotten.*

Lynne Blake - July 23, 2023 at 08:25 PM

CH

“ *You will forever be missed! So many memories, laughs throughout the years! I met Liz when I was 19 (35 years ago) where we worked on CIS clean up! Spending lots of time making memories with her family, Sandy, Sheila, June, Liz and I! The joke was always I was suppose to be pushing you all around in wheel chairs being the baby of the group! Rest in piece my dear friend and say hi to Sandy for us! Xoxo*

Carol Hogg - July 22, 2023 at 08:33 AM

CT

“ *Liz packed a lot of life into her years and I feel blessed to have shared many years of friendship with her...you are missed my friend and life will be less without you. Deepest condolences to Robyn and Meaghan and the Blake family.*

Carol Trimm-Combes - July 21, 2023 at 02:57 PM

MP

“ I spent 8 years in Global Transaction Banking at Scotiabank in the early 2000's and it was a blast. Some of the best laughs I had were working with Liz. Always a joy to work with. She will be missed.

Mike Patterson

Scotiabank 2000-2008

Michael Patterson - July 21, 2023 at 09:47 AM

DD

“ I'm so sorry for your lost. Liz was a fantastic lady. Her laughter always put a smile on my face. I'll always remember the great times we shared.

Dianne Duguay - July 20, 2023 at 08:31 PM

UL

“ Lizzie and Barbie at the Kentucky 🐎❤️❤️❤️



Uncle Larry - July 19, 2023 at 03:51 PM

EN

“ Meaghan and Robyn! We are so deeply sorry for your loss. Liz was a beautiful soul with a heart of gold. She brought life to every party! She will be missed by many. Cherish the beautiful memories xoxo
Ebba and Family

ebba Nickel-Duran - July 19, 2023 at 03:40 PM

SH

*Liz and I worked together at Merchant services and became good friends .
We had Many crazy events to deal with and relyed on her technical expertise and her amazing sense of humor. We had some crazy travel events and lots of fun.
Meaghan and Robyn, I am very sorry for your loss. Know she will be with you and remember all of the good times!!!
Sharon Hamilton xoxo*

Sharon hamilton - July 23, 2023 at 09:28 AM

PS

I am sorry for your loss. Liz and I worked together at Scotia Commercial Cards many years ago to launch EMV on the Canada and US programs. Liz had such a wealth of knowledge and expertise. We had many great discussions and laughs over a road trip or two. She had such energy and a great person - Liz will be missed.

Patrick Sulston - July 31, 2023 at 09:20 AM