



## Rhona Eve Jones

November 6, 2022

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July 16th, 1932 - November 6th, 2022

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of our dear mother, grandmother, and great grandmother Rhona Eve Jones.

Rhona was born in Manchester, England on July 16th, 1932. She moved to Swansea, Wales as a young girl and there she met and married Peter Jones. They had five children: Helen, Christopher, Vivienne, and twins Simon and Daniel. Rhona later moved to the Bordeaux region of France with Simon and Daniel where she became a language teacher, then re-located to Antibes on the Cote D'Azur. Rhona loved France but moved to Canada in 1996 to join her daughters and their families in Toronto, where she spent the rest of her life. Rhona had a creative spirit, which she continued to express through her love of music, singing, poetry, and making carved wood sculptures and intricate mobiles. Blessed with a deep love of nature, she adored all her pets and created lovely gardens wherever she lived.

Rhona was pre-deceased by sons Simon and Daniel and is survived by three children, Helen, Christopher, and Vivienne, her five grandchildren Evan, Megan, Joanna, Jace, and Kyran, and two great-grandchildren Leana and

Gaia. Her family will all miss her dearly.

Her recent years have been spent at Lakeside Long Term Care Home where she passed at the age of 90. We, her family, want to express our gratitude for the great love and care Rhona received from the staff at Lakeside.

Rest in peace Rhona. The family invites those who knew Rhona to share their memories and photos of her here.

# Tribute Wall

JO

“ *Si fière qu'elle ai été ma Grand mère*

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jones - December 12, 2022 at 06:34 AM

VJ

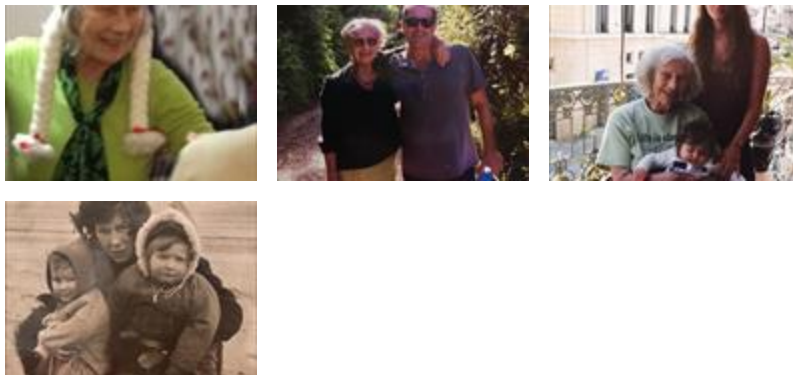
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vivienne jones - December 03, 2022 at 09:06 PM

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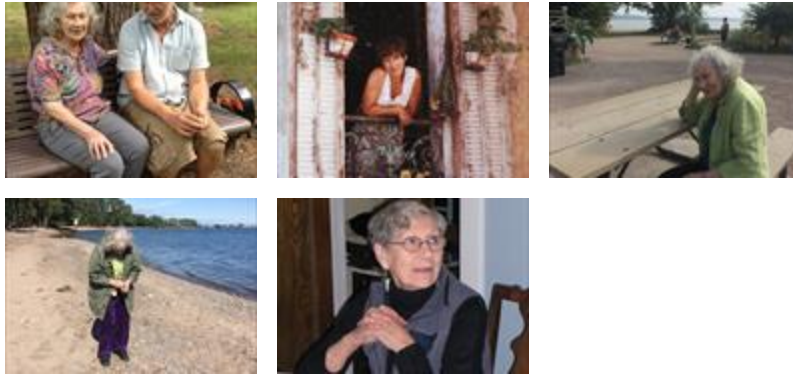
JL

“ I have such fond childhood memories of holidaying in Swansea with you all. My one vivid memory of Auntie Rhona was sewing and creating things. I loved to do this and was so thrilled to make a skirt one day. Unfortunately mum wouldn't allow me to wear it out which was devastating as I thought it the most beautiful thing! I loved her carefree nature and hope that she is at peace and having fun now albeit in a different way. Lots of love Julie xx

Julie Leggatt - November 15, 2022 at 01:17 PM

VJ

“ 13 files added to the album memories of Rhona ,viv



vivienne jones - November 14, 2022 at 08:34 PM

CH

“ 2 files added to the album Chris and Kyran with Mum



christopher - November 14, 2022 at 07:47 AM

UW

“ 1 file added to the album Memories.uwe



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uwe - November 13, 2022 at 06:03 PM

UW

“ Rhona found her peace last Sunday. I remember her as a friend, mother -in- law and a great gardener with natural instincts .

*We sat on a bench once in her garden and talked about life while she was cleaning a nice piece of wood for her mobile. We spoke about the choices we make in life , the right ones and other times things might not work out.*

*She said, "whatever you do, be true to yourself. You have to live balanced to be of any help to others."*

*Thanks Rhona ,it was a good advice ,balance in life like your mobiles were .*

*Rest in peace!*

*Uwe son in law.*

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uwe - November 13, 2022 at 05:49 PM

VJ

“ *She was a young mother, she wanted a family of her own. Children, grandchildren, great grandchildren came from that desire. And that wasn't all she wanted, she was curious and intelligent, she wanted higher education and ways to express her intense creativity. She wanted to teach and to sing and to experience beauty, see more of the world. Mum left her mark as many things and many people. I'm proud to be her daughter, she lives on in memories and in everything and everyone she touched. A truly special and bright light is now free. May you be teaching and gardening and creating and singing in the sky now mum. You were loved. Vivxx*

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**Vivienne Jones** - November 13, 2022 at 08:06 AM

CH

“ Mum was always a free spirit, as long as I can remember. From the beachcombing along Swansea beach or any other beach we visited in the Gower to the Vinyards of France where we picked grapes together during the grape harvest. She taught us to see nature in all its beauty and awe, to see the wonders of life, she encouraged us to see that we are all humans and have our own lives to live and to always respect others and listen to their points of view. She always saw things from a different point of view, and that there was room in the world for these different views. Mum was an adventurer too, she loved to explore new places and when she sold everything and left Wales to go to live in France, taught me that there is always time to do something different. It just takes the courage to do so. Then once again in her early sixties she packed up her life in France and went to Canada. Once again trail blazing and creating a whole new life and business in Canada. Sadly, even her defiant spirit could not defeat Alzheimer's and we had to watch her gradual decline. But even in her last days we would get the occasional glint in her eyes that showed that her free spirit was still in her.  
Now her spirit is free to roam.  
Rest in peace Mum, your job is done. And well done!

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**christopher** - November 12, 2022 at 07:55 AM

CH

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**christopher** - November 12, 2022 at 07:30 AM

AS

“ I first met Rhona in 1966 when my husband and I moved to Swansea where he had a lectureship at the University. Our first child, Matthew, was born there and Rhona, already the mother of five children, was invaluable to me as a guide. I was nervous about childcare and she taught me to enjoy it and have fun with the baby. She also showed me how to pursue my own interests, as she did; I remember the lovely mobiles she made, and her creative cooking. She was a wonderfully life-enhancing person. Later we moved to Scotland and bought a camper van for family holidays. We stayed with Rhona in Antibes en route to holidays in Italy, and admired the way that she had created a career for herself teaching English. The last time we saw her was in 2008, when she suddenly phoned from Canada and said she was coming to stay with us for a week. It was a memorable visit; she looked wonderful, as always, and was very affectionate, possibly with a sense that we wouldn't see each other again.

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**Angela Smith** - November 11, 2022 at 12:17 PM

VI

*How wonderful to hear from you .You were mums dear friends. She loved that trip. The photos remained in her album and we looked at them together even not that long ago. Viv*

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**Vivienne** - November 11, 2022 at 07:49 PM

JJ

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**Jace Jones-Tabah** - November 10, 2022 at 09:28 PM

VI

*So sweet , grandmother and grandson Jace and her beloved Mitzi dog*

**Vivienne** - November 11, 2022 at 07:45 PM

AM

*Through my friendship with Viv and Uwe, I met Rhona a few times when she was still in her flat and nurturing her beautiful, whimsical garden. I was so struck by her curiosity, her openness, her playfulness and her desire to try new things. I had never seen her mobiles before now but they are beautiful and they remind me of the little I know about her -- how they bring disparate elements together in an enchanting way with an eye for texture and colour and shape and how they move with a changing breeze. I hope and trust that she is free once again to explore and move and dance as they do.*

*Arlene Moscovitch*

**Arlene Moscovitch** - November 15, 2022 at 12:03 PM

VJ

*thank you Arlene for that lovely note .viv*

**vivienne jones** - November 24, 2022 at 07:39 PM

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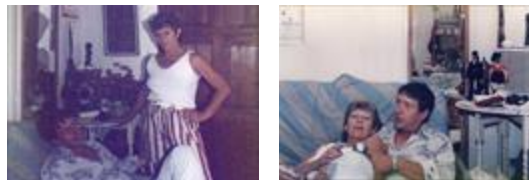
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**vivienne jones** - November 10, 2022 at 07:19 PM

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Amy - November 10, 2022 at 02:55 PM

VI

*Mum as actress indeed !*

Vivienne - November 11, 2022 at 07:42 PM

PN

“ Meeting Rhona Jones was such an interesting experience...a woman in her 80's who looked and acted like she was in her 60's. she was so vibrant, interested in life, had a beautiful natural garden, loved animals (even raccoons) and the epitome of a real artist, poet, creator. she helped me with my broken french and we would write poetry together. Rhona guided me on the excursion to finding a deeper insight into the world around me, finding words to describe what was really happening in one moment to another. the ephemeral. the transient. such a deeply emotional and thoughtful woman. thank you viv for allowing me to be a part of her intimate life and journey all these years. it was an honour to know Rhona. i always felt her presence throughout the last years and was deeply alive inside. dear Rhona, i hope you are resting well and in peace. love, paula

paula lynne needham - November 10, 2022 at 11:33 AM

VJ

*I think that was a special bond you had with mum Paula. thank-you so much for sharing that. viv*

vivienne jones - November 10, 2022 at 07:26 PM

VJ

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Vivienne Jones - November 09, 2022 at 05:18 PM

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