



Valerie Waksdale

March 7, 2023

Valerie Waksdale passed away peacefully on March 7th at the age of 76 with her family by her side. She is survived by her son Ben (Erin) and her daughter Carlie (Andrew), Nana to her grandchildren Olivia, Ava, and Theo. Devout wife of Ron (predeceased), sister to Virginia and Lloyd. She graduated from Riverdale High School and went on to become an X-ray technician at St. Mike's Hospital. She also volunteered with the YWCA and the Aphasia Institute. Known for her great sense of humor, she was kind, fun, warm & loving, and always lit up a room. Val had fond memories with family and friends at the cottage on Moose Lake. She cherished her loved ones – a good cosmopolitan (with ice) and crab legs. Her pastimes included a game of bridge and being out and about hunting for a good deal. No one liked the sound of silence more than Val; God help you if you woke her from her slumber. Rest easy. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Aphasia Institute. There will be a celebration of life held at a later date.

Tribute Wall

BR

“ *Ben and Carlie, I'm heart broken for you. Such great memories of your mom and her loud « cackle » up at the cottage. She loved the dock and après ski at Sir Sams. Joie de Val!! Xo Brooke*

brooke - March 13, 2023 at 08:55 PM

EA



Elayne Acton - March 15, 2023 at 08:50 AM

CC

“ *Carlie and Ben, I am so sorry that your mom is no longer with us. One could always count on her for some good laughs at a party. I remember, as a ten, eleven and twelve year-old, Val saying good night and tucking me in with much humour, sound advice and all round genuine interest. More recently, I remember her arriving at a party shortly after I did and calling out to me to help her navigate a very long staircase. Of course, I did but I'm sure we two were quite a sight as this was a time very shortly before my hip surgery. Slowly and carefully we made it up those stairs in two whole pieces. Where does the time go?! I will think of her often
Wishing you and your families much peace and strength. Cathy (Shea) Chamberlain*

Catherine (Shea) Chamberlain - March 13, 2023 at 09:18 AM

DF

“ *Valerie was a lovely woman. My sympathy to Ben and Carlie.
Dolores Fraser*

Dolores Fraser - March 11, 2023 at 03:06 PM

KS

“ Loved Val! So much fun, great mom and one time fabulous skier. My thoughts are with her family and friends. Kevin

Kevin Shea - March 11, 2023 at 12:10 PM

KB

“ Sorry to hear about your loss. I am Mary Colleen Shea's sister and for many years Val was part of our sisterhood. I have many fond memories and many memories of laughter and good fun together Kind regards Kathleen Babcock

Kathleen Babcock - March 10, 2023 at 06:15 PM

JP

“ Dear Carlie, Ben and families. I have so many happy memories of Val over the more than 50 years that Lloyd and I were friends with her and Ron. Mostly what comes to mind is laughter! We skied together in Vermont, Whistler and Sir Sam's and she always had the BEST ski outfits! We travelled together to Florida, Bahamas, Jamaica and other sunny destinations where she would invariably get burnt to a crisp on the first day and spend the rest of the trip under a Beach umbrella. Val and I had to watch OUR husbands act like maniacal teenagers when we went to see Tina Turner and The Rolling Stones! We spent many happy times at the cottage where she and I would go tubing and fall off in fits of laughter. We had many wild and crazy house parties dancing until the wee hours but Val always made the BEST food! She loved her family. She loved her friends. She loved to laugh and she will be very much missed by the Patterson Family. With love. Judy Patterson.

Judy Patterson - March 10, 2023 at 12:50 PM

LF

“ Our deepest condolences to Ben, Carlie and families. The grandkids will miss the noisey and crazy fun games and toys that Val showered them with. May you rest in peace. Our love and prayers, The Fenningers xxoo

Lou & Marianne Fenninger - March 09, 2023 at 10:12 PM

MC

“ My deepest condolences to Carlie and Ben and to all who love and know Val Waksdale. I am incredibly lucky to know Val through my longtime friendship with Carlie. I always loved chatting with her when I got the chance. Laughing with her is one of my fondest memories. She would always pop in for a visit to the Shoppers Drug Mart at Queen & Lee where I worked in my younger years. She would turn a mundane Thursday evening shift into a giggle fest and leave me feeling uplifted. The Croteau family sends love and hugs during this difficult time.

xo Megan Croteau

Megan Croteau - March 09, 2023 at 04:39 PM