



Wendy Marie Ryan

August 2, 2023

Wendy Marie Ryan - Obituary

On August 2, 2023, Wendy Marie Ryan (nee Hawley) passed away peacefully, surrounded by her family, at the age of 74 after a brief but courageous battle with cancer.

Wendy was born on March 20th, 1949 in Barry's Bay, Ontario. In her early 20's, she moved to Toronto with her employer CSA where she met Terry while training on the Redactron (one of the first word processors). Their romance led to marriage and Wendy went on to have three children. Wendy was more than happy to be the central figure in the lives of her children and devoted her life to them, leaving her job (as office manager) once her first child was born.

Wendy was an avid tennis player and her involvement generated many lasting friendships. The cottage community was also a source of great pleasure for her.

Every winter, Wendy and Terry would flee to Florida where Wendy would spend the cold Canadian months taking in the warmth of the weather and the people.

In 2009, when Wendy found out she was going to be a grandma, her

excitement was palpable, even though she thought she was still “too young” to be a “grandmother”. Embracing the moniker, Grammy, Wendy stepped into the role of grandmother providing unconditional love and support to her beloved grandkids, Emerson (14) and Ryan (11).

Wendy is survived by her husband of 48 years, Terry Ryan, her three children, Keith, Julie (Shawn) and Andrew, her grandchildren Emerson and Ryan as well as her father, Gordon Hawley, and 6 brothers and sisters. She is predeceased by her mother, Audrey and sister Sharon.

In accordance with Wendy’s wishes, there will be no funeral. A Celebration of Life event will happen at a later date.

Tribute Wall

WC

“ *Wendy and Terry were very friendly neighbours. Our condolences are sent from our family to Wendy's family. Wendy will be sincerely missed by her neighbours on Dalmatian. Heather and Wayne*

Wayne Copp - August 23, 2023 at 03:16 PM

JP

“ *3 files added to the album Wendy's Smile*



Jane Pirri - August 19, 2023 at 12:52 PM

JP

“ I lost a beautiful, wonderful sister. You had the most infectious smile. Wendy was a gracious loving sister and she did so much for me. I will miss your funny jokes and your bubbly personality and all our Florida adventures. You were always there for me. The world lost a beautiful soul. You are an angel in heaven now. I will forever love you and you will always be in my heart and you will be truly missed. Love Jane



Jane Pirri - August 19, 2023 at 12:44 PM

MC

“ My condolences go out to the whole family. I remember Wendy fondly. Girls weekends at my cottage and her cottage. Different parties we attended together, Julie’s wedding and many more. Been out of touch the last few years but will always be in my heart and memories.

Maureen Crook - August 07, 2023 at 05:11 PM

JD

“ Our sincere condolences to all the Ryan family and Wendy's extended family. A friendly generous lady, an amazing cook. One day she arrived at our door with a lasagna just because she felt we could use a kind gesture. We feel grateful to be one of her many friends. We will treasure the memories of your time here Wendy.
Janet and Peter Dean

Janet Dean - August 05, 2023 at 03:31 PM

JU

“ If you wish to make a donation, in Wendy's honour, the Alzheimer Society of Canada was important to her, or please feel free to donate to the charity of your choice.

Julie - August 05, 2023 at 01:49 PM

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Julie - August 05, 2023 at 01:35 PM

MI

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Michelle - August 04, 2023 at 04:55 PM

MI

“ I've been Blessed with knowing Wendy for over forty years as our families were linked by business, then by love, loyalty and friendship as the years went by... ahh, great times in Florida, and visits to the cottage, all so much fun. Wendy was always "there" when my Mom or I needed help: ready to support and to do the needful, and always gave her bountiful kindness, care and concern so generously and with so much love. She was an amazing woman --- so courageous and full of Grace --- and one of the best cooks I ever knew... Wendy will forever be remembered with gratitude, love, and a smile in my heart. For Terry, Keith, Julie and Andrew: my deepest condolences for your devastating loss; may you be Blessed with peace and strength in every step moving forward... My heart flies with yours. With love and big hugs, Michelle Dash

Michelle - August 04, 2023 at 04:22 PM

JH

“ I first meet Wendy in Florida at Pizza night when a group of mostly Canadians and some Americans would all go to Stevie Tomatoes and later on as the years went on to The Crust. In talking we found out we lived in the same community Pelican Bay in Naples. We became good friends and would play Mah Jongg together with a group of ladies, meet at the beach for supper or just drinks and appetizers and watch the sunset go down. We had great fun and many laughs. Visiting her and Terry at their cottage was lots of fun. Being plied with Black Russians was even more of a hoot. Wendy was always fun to be around, a good friend, and very loyal. We shall all miss her greatly but we have many memories of her to cherish. Never forgotten and always in our hearts.

June Hetherington - August 04, 2023 at 03:17 PM

VS

“ I first met Wendy at the Pickering fitness club about 20 years ago, we eventually became extremely good friends and would often meet for lunch with another gym buddy. Wendy loved to be social, eat out and play tennis and she made many great friends along the way. She was devoted to her family and was never happier than when she was at the cottage or in Florida, both of which I had the good fortune of an invite to visit over the years and had a wonderful time at each. She was a loyal and true blue friend, generous, thoughtful and just lovely to be around.

My heart goes out to her entire family as she had so much more life to live, and her passing has left a huge hole in my heart that will never be replaced. However, she will never be forgotten by me and I have many pictures of the great time at the cottage and Florida to make her ever present in my life with the fondest of memories when I look back on these happy times.

Vicki Samson

Vicki Samson - August 04, 2023 at 02:15 PM

MD

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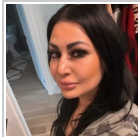
mimi dorey - August 04, 2023 at 10:59 AM

MD

“ Wendy, we always enjoyed your easy sense of humour. The Dorey family remember you fondly. We could be sure that having dinner at your place meant playing a board game when the table was cleared. Much fun. Many laughs. Your courage throughout the past year has been remarkable and an inspiration to us all.



mimi dorey - August 04, 2023 at 10:55 AM



“ Wendy will be truly missed. i lived next door to her most of my life. she was a kind hearted person. very caring. I remember having a few glasses of wine with her in my backyard. was si easy to talk tooo. was always sweet. she will be missed and always loved. gone to soon but at least shes not in pain. We always loved you Wendy. rest in peace my friend. love shenil and the virji family

Shenil Virji - August 03, 2023 at 09:17 PM

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Terry Ryan - August 03, 2023 at 08:19 PM

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Terry Ryan - August 03, 2023 at 08:07 PM

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